TUESDAY EDITION

Established over 100 years

HOLNESS & OVENDEN

Auctioneers, Valuers and Estate Agents

Rents Collected. Valuations for Probate, Sale or Exchange. Insurances effected for every class of Risk with the best Offices.

"ESTATE HOUSE,"
73, HIGH STREET, RAMSGATE
Telephone Ramsgate 60

Advertiser and Echo

incorporating

The Thanet Advertiser, Pullen's Kent Argus, and The Broadstairs & St. Peter's Echo

Bi-Weekly Chronicle for Ramsgate, Margate, Broadstairs, St. Peter's, Minster, Westgate, Birchington and all Thanet

THE OLDEST ESTABLISHED NEWSPAPER IN THE ISLE OF THANET

WE ARE PLEASED to be able to tell you that the full Assortment of our PROGRESS CHOCOLATES is again at this branch.

DOWLINGS CHOCOLATES Ltd.
11, QUEEN STREET, RAMSGATE

No. 5051] Offices: Church Hill, Ramsgate. Phone 1012

TUESDAY, 31st AUGUST, 1943

Registered at the General Post Office as a Newspaper

[Price Twopence

SHOWING AT THE ODEON THEATRE RAMSGATE

Telephone 1081

TO-DAY & TO-MORROW	DON AMECHE, JOAN BENNETT *in* **GIRL TROUBLE** Showing at 2.50, 5.35, 8.18 (U) — Also ANDREWS SISTERS in **HOW'S ABOUT IT** Showing at 1.35, 4.18, 7.01 (U)
THURSDAY Sept. 2nd THREE DAYS	REMEMBER ALAN LADD IN "LUCKY JORDAN"? HERE IS HIS LATEST SUCCESS **CHINA** ALAN LADD, LORETTA YOUNG Showing at 2.45, 5.25, 8.00 (A) — Also DEAD END KIDS in ***MUG TOWN*** Showing at 1.35, 4.10, 6.45 (A)
Sept. 9th	THE LIFE AND DEATH OF COLONEL BLIMP IN TECHNICOLOR

BALEXCRO THEATRES LTD.

KING'S THEATRE
Phone 524
Weekdays cont. from 2 p.m. Sundays 6.

TO-DAY and TO-MORROW
Hedy Lamarr, Walter Pidgeon
in
WHITE CARGO
At approx. 3.5, 5.35, 8.10 (A)
Also John Howard, Marguerite Chapman in
SUBMARINE RAIDER
At approx. 2.5, 4.35, 7.10 (U)

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY
Rosalind Russell, Brian Aherne
in
MY SISTER EILEEN
At approx. 2.10, 5.5, 8.5 (U)
Also Florence Rice, John Beal in
STAND BY ALL NETWORKS
At approx. 3.45, 6.45 (A)

PICTURE HOUSE
HIGH STREET
Weekdays Only. Continuous from 2 p.m.

TO-DAY and TO-MORROW
Eric Portman, Ann Dvorak
in
SQUADRON LEADER X
At approx. 2.0, 4.50, 7.40 (A)
Also Guy Kibbee, Jed Prouty in
SCATTERGOOD RIDES HIGH
At approx. 3.45, 6.36 (U)

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY
Barbara Stanwyck, Gary Cooper
in
BALL OF FIRE
With
Oscar Homolka, Henry Travers, Allen Jenkins
At approx. 2.44, 5.18, 7.52
And Full Supporting Programme

WEST CLIFF BALLROOM

Frederic Hargraves and His Orchestra
Play for
DANCING
Every
Tues., Thurs. and Fri., 7 to 10—1/-
Saturday, 7 to 10.30—1/6

ISLE OF THANET BUILDING SOCIETY

RESERVES £159,000

SUMS NOW ACCEPTED ON DEPOSIT

46 QUEEN ST., RAMSGATE

FOR GOOD PAINTING & TASTEFUL DECORATING
GO TO
HOUGHTON
We specialize in
SANITATION AND HOT WATER FITTING
Ramsgate 241 ● 40 Albert Street, Ramsgate

Wedding Stationery.—Wide selection of Beautiful Cards at reasonable prices at the Advertiser Printing Works, Church Hill, Ramsgate.

Houses Wanted for Sale or to Let

Numerous applications are now being received by
Mr. CHARLES WARREN
from Prospective Purchasers and Tenants

Owners cannot do better to effect a Speedy Sale, or secure a reliable Tenant, than send Particulars to this office, or on receipt of a postcard a member of the staff will call and take particulars

Rent Collected and Payments made every month
Insurances effected at lowest rates

99 High Street, Ramsgate
Phone 112 Established 1880

MARGATE MAN COMMENDED

VALUABLE SERVICES IN THE AIR

Formerly a boarding house keeper, Flt.-Eng.-Sgt. Edward James Howard, R.A.F., of 4 Wellesley-road, Margate, has been commended for valuable services in the air.

Sgt. Howard has taken part in many bombing raids over Germany and Italy and holds a pilot's certificate. Having passed all the examinations, he is now waiting to be granted a commission.

Born at Steeple Bumpstead, Suffolk, he came to Margate in 1938 and ran a boarding house until the war broke out. After that he served for a year in the London A.R.P. service.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Preacher next Sunday:
REV. STANLEY B. GREEN
Services 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.
Midweek Service Wednesdays, 7 p.m. in Church Parlour
You are warmly invited

PARISH CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE THE MARTYR, RAMSGATE

A CHORAL FESTIVAL
BY COMBINED CHURCH CHOIRS
will be held at
St. George's Parish Church, Ramsgate
On *THURSDAY, 2nd Sept., 1943*
at 7 p.m.
Organist - - Mr. R. J. BOWEN
Conductor - - - Mr. E. J. YEO
Collection to Defray Expenses
G. BENNETT, M.A. (Vicar)

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd

By command of H.M. the King

Services at
St. George's Church, Ramsgate

8.0 a.m.—**Holy Communion**
11 to 11.15 a.m.—**Broadcast Service in the Church**
6.30 p.m.—**United Service**
The Clergy of the town will take part
and
The Vicar of Ramsgate, the Rev. G. Bennett, M.A., will give the address
7.30 p.m.—**Broadcast Service in the Church**

NEGLECTED HOME

HUSBAND AND WIFE GO TO PRISON

The terrible conditions under which a family had been living at Ramsgate were described at the borough police court on Monday when a 22-year-old wife and her 54-year-old husband were sent to prison for neglecting three of their children.

The wife, Edith Adams, whose address was given as Hereson-road, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment, and the husband, William Adams, a labourer, of Nixon-avenue, was sentenced to one month.

They both pleaded not guilty to neglecting Ernest Adams, aged 15, William, aged three, and Pamela, aged one year.

During the hearing it was stated that the wife had left her husband and was now staying with another man, aged 64.

Mr. E. C. Allfree, who prosecuted on behalf of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, said in the view of the society it was a very bad case. Inspectors of the society had made frequent visits to the home since 1936 but their warnings had had no effect whatsoever.

Continuing, Mr. Allfree said the defendants had lived at Nixon-avenue, the woman being the second wife. There were there young children by the marriage and several stepchildren, who were now away from home.

Binding Over Not Enough.

"I submit this is a case in which mere binding over will have no effect whatsoever," said Mr. Allfree. "I suggest the defendants should be dealt with in a more severe manner in the hope that it will make them realise they must take proper care of their children."

Dr. J. V. Walker, Ramsgate Medical Officer of Health and School Medical Officer, described a visit to the home at Nixon-avenue on 7th August. On entering the house he was struck by the neglect and dirt. The floors and furniture were dirty and ashes were piled up in the grate in the living-room. The grate did not appear to have been cleaned out for some time. In the bedroom upstairs the bedding showed evidence of vermin infestation. It was clear that the house had not been properly looked after and the conditions would militate against the health of any children living there. The stepson, aged 15, told witness that the cleaning of the house would now devolve on him since his stepmother had left home.

Inspr. W. T. Matthews, N.S.P.C.C., said the home had been under his supervision for the past 14 months. He first visited the house on 2nd June, 1942. The wife was then away and the conditions were far from satisfactory. He had hopes that when Mrs. Adams returned conditions would improve but they gradually deteriorated into an appalling state. He had warned and advised both parents on many occasions.

Another Man.

The trouble, said the inspector, appeared to be that Mrs. Adams was associating with another man old enough to be her grandfather. On 6th August when he last visited the house the bed in the bedroom on the ground floor was filthy and verminous and the atmosphere of the room was foul. Upstairs the rooms were in a disgusting state. For some time the boy aged 15 had been the most disreputable boy in Ramsgate. When he told Mrs. Adams "I am not going to warn you any more," she followed him out of the house and abused him.

Witness said that on 7th July both parents visited his offices to know why he had visited the house on 5th July. The woman then disclosed voluntarily that she was associating with another man. He pointed out to the woman where her interests lay and she promised to give up the man, who was 64 years of age. He advised the man also to tell Mrs. Adams to go home and look after her children, but he refused to do so. Two days later he saw Mrs. Adams and the man together in King-street, and she was with him at the present time.

Adams told the magistrates his wife had been receiving £3 10s. a week from him and 30s. a week from one of his sons.

Mrs. Adams said she had neglected Ernest but not the other two children.

Mr. E. A. Bray, Probation Officer, also gave evidence as to the unsatisfactory state of the home.

Of No Avail.

Adams said he was away at work for 12 hours a day and when he returned there was no food ready for him or his son. The place was dirty because his wife was never at home. When he left in the morning she went out to the other man and sometimes left the two babies with the elder boy.

"I have tried kindness and spent money on her, but with no result," he said. "I have tried everything but it is of no avail."

Mrs. Adams, who wept copiously, alleged that her husband's 18-year-old son had beaten her.

In a further statement Adams said his home was now broken up and he would have to make a new home for three of his children when they returned from Staffordshire. He was left with 12 children by his first wife and there were three by the second wife.

C/I H. G. Butcher said nothing was known against the husband. At Sandwich Quarter Sessions on 16th July Mrs. Adams was bound over for 12 months in the sum of £5 for larceny from a gas meter.

As stated, Adams was sentenced to one month's imprisonment and his wife to three months.

SHOT HIS FRIEND

STEN GUN TRAGEDY

The tragic story of how a soldier shot his friend who was standing next to him during Sten gun practice was told to the Deputy Coroner (Mr. J. H. Robinson) at an inquest at Margate on Saturday.

The inquest was on Gnr. Clarence Edward Barks, R.A., aged 21, whose home was at Nottingham.

Lt. Peter Newman, R.A., said he was in charge of a party at a rifle range the previous day. They carried out Sten gun practice, three men firing at a time at three targets. At about 12.30 p.m. witness was standing on the right about 6ft. from deceased, whose gun had had a stoppage, but was then firing all right. Gnr. Bentley was in the centre and Gnr. Connop on the left. The men were in a standing position, firing from the shoulder.

Round Jammed.

Bentley came to witness and asked what was wrong with his gun. Witness immediately noticed that it was in a dangerous state, there being a round jammed between the magazine and the head of the bolt. It might have fired with the slightest movement, and witness ordered the man to pull the bolt back, thus obviating the possibility of it firing. At that time Bentley was pointing the gun towards the targets. Witness did not know whether Bentley pulled the bolt back or not, but the next second there was an explosion, the gun having fired, and Barks fell to the ground. It was found that he had a wound in the abdomen, and after Sgt. Green had applied a field dressing witness, with other men, took him in a truck to Margate hospital.

Three men sat in the truck with deceased, and when they reached the hospital one of them told witness that Barks died ten minutes previously.

In reply to the Coroner, witness gave three theories of how the accident might have happened. The first was that Bentley pulled the bolt back but it slipped forward instead of engaging in the sere, with the result that the jammed bullet was pushed forward into the firing chamber. The second was that the round might have been knocked clear of the ejector opening, and another round from the magazine carried forward into the firing chamber by the bolt being released and going forward. The third possibility was that the magazine was moved in some way, thus clearing the way for the bullet to be pushed forward and fired.

Efficient Soldier.

Witness added that deceased was a driver-mechanic and one of the best men in the troop. He was very popular and an efficient soldier.

Dr. H. W. Parrott, who saw deceased a few minutes after his arrival at Margate hospital, said life was then extinct. There was a wound in the upper left abdomen and he considered death was due to internal hæmorrhage.

Gnr. Thomas Herbert Bentley said he had fired two of the five rounds in the magazine when his gun jammed. As he did not know what to do he went to Lt. Newman.

Asked by the Coroner if he could explain how the gun was fired, witness said he was just going to take hold of the bolt to pull it back as ordered when the gun went off. He remembered that he had hold of the magazine, and that it moved a little. The gun was pointing towards the targets. Witness was standing only two or three paces away from deceased, who was on his left and a little in front of him.

Need Careful Handling.

Witness added that when the gun went off Barks shouted and witness ran to him. He was a friend of his.

Sgt. William Herbert Green said at the time he was standing on the left of the firing party when he heard Lt. Newman order a man to pull the bolt back. He knew there must have been a stoppage in a gun and looked round to see Bentley standing almost between deceased and Lt. Newman, and slightly to their rear. The next second there was a shot and deceased fell to the ground. Witness went to his assistance and applied a field dressing to a wound in his stomach.

Witness agreed with the Coroner that Sten guns required very careful handling and remarked "**They seem to do everything you don't expect them to do.**"

Recording a verdict of "Accidental death," the Coroner said he accepted the evidence of Bentley that the cause of the shot being fired was his movement of the magazine.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Ramsgate clergy of various denominations will take part in the united service to be held at St. George's Church, Ramsgate, on Friday—the National Day of Prayer marking the fourth anniversary of the outbreak of war between Britain and Germany.

The day's services will commence with Holy Communion at 8 a.m. and from 11 to 11.15 a.m. the broadcast service will be relayed in the church. The united service is at 6.30 p.m. and at 7.30 p.m. there will be another broadcast service.

BLACK-OUT TIMES

To-day	... 8.21 p.m.—5.41 a.m.
Wednesday	.. 8.19 p.m.—5.43 a.m.
Thursday	... 8.17 p.m.—5.45 a.m.
Friday	... 8.15 p.m.—5.46 a.m.

ALDERMAN G. P. HOARE

EX-MAYOR'S SUDDEN DEATH

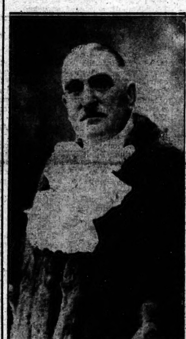
MARGATE COUNCIL LOSS

One of Margate's war-time Mayors and Deputy Mayor since last November, Alderman George Philip Hoare, of Marine-terrace, Margate, died suddenly at Margate General Hospital on Sunday.

He had undergone an operation a few days previously, and appeared to be making good progress when he suffered a relapse.

45 Years in Margate.

Alderman Hoare, who was 63 years of age, was a Welshman by birth, spending his childhood at Swansea, but had spent about 45 years of his life in Margate. He came to the town to work for a photographic firm in 1898, having previously been in his brother's photographic business, and eventually acquired the business, which he carried on until a decade or so ago. He afterwards opened a bazaar



on Marine-terrace, which he had continued to carry on in conjunction with a catering establishment since the outbreak of war.

For over a quarter of a century Alderman Hoare had taken a prominent part in Margate's welfare, first as a member of the Chamber of Commerce and old Trade Protection Association, of which he was president, and since 1920 as a member of the Town Council. He had to fight two elections before he gained a seat as representative of the West Ward, but in subsequent elections was returned without opposition. In 1933 he was raised to the aldermanic bench and in November, 1940, was elected to succeed Alderman G. B. Farrar as Mayor—an honour which he had several times declined in pre-war days.

As a member of the Emergency Committee from its formation on the outbreak of war, and as chairman of the Finance Committee for over 12 years, he had had intimate knowledge of the borough's position and its war-time problems when he entered the mayoral chair, and throughout the two years he held office he worked untiringly to help relieve the distress which existed among certain classes of residents whose source of business and income had gone.

Steadying Influence.

In his position of local chancellor of the exchequer he had exercised a steadying influence on his more ambitious colleagues so far as the financial aspects of development schemes were concerned, and, following the collapse of the town's trade and consequent rate revenue after the outbreak of war, he fought hard to secure that Government assistance which has been received during the past three years.

Then he looked ahead and began to concern himself with the problem of Margate's rehabilitation after the war. He had faith in the town's revival as a holiday resort, but he realised that considerable help would be necessary when the war ends and at the last budget meeting of the Council in March he set forth the lines on which that help should be given by the Government.

Alderman Hoare has also done good work as Troops' Welfare Officer, a position he has held for nearly three years, and in addition to providing comforts for men was concerned with the opening of several canteens in the borough. These are carried on under the direction of the W.V.S., of which his wife is the local centre organiser.

In his younger days Alderman Hoare was a fine singer, and often appeared at local concerts, especially during the last war, when he served as a special constable and a Volunteer.

He leaves a widow, one son serving in the R.A.F. and one daughter who is in the Women's Land Army.

The funeral service will take place at St. John's Church on Thursday at 2 p.m.

And blow me when I got to MALTA ...*they're on* REDIFFUSION* *too!*

Just like being at home I thought. But I hadn't seen much before I realised what a job of work Rediffusion had been doing *there*. If anybody ever asks you how Rediffusion stands up to emergency conditions, just tell them "Malta"—2,500 raids and the service still going strong. Everybody knows what the name stands for: only the folk who have Rediffusion in their own homes can guess how the same service has kept up the morale and maintained communications in the George Cross Island. ★ ★ *Rediffusion provides radio reception by private wire to the subscriber's home: perfect reproduction at the touch of a switch and no maintenance trouble at all.*

Rediffusion also equip factories for broadcast communications and "Music while you work."

REDIFFUSION
BROADCAST PROGRAMMES BY PRIVATE WIRE

ISLE OF THANET REDIFFUSION SERVICE LIMITED
Relay House, Westwood, Margate.
Also at 96, High Street, Ramsgate.
123, High Street, Margate.

LOOTING CHARGE

SOLDIER SENT FOR TRIAL

A 30-year-old soldier was committed for trial when he appeared at Ramsgate police court on Monday charged with storebreaking and looting.

Defendant, Arthur Randall, a gunner in the Royal Artillery, is accused of breaking and entering 56 Ellington-road, Ramsgate, and stealing a silver-plated candlestick, an ivory match box, writing pad, two pencils, pair of opera glasses and seven foreign coins, together valued at £1 17s., the property of Miss Alice Mary Benn, between 5th and 9th August.

Mr. E. W. G. Weale appeared for the prosecution.

Daniel Collin, of 54 Ellington-road, Ramsgate, a member of the Civil Defence services, said that since the beginning of 1940 he had acted as local custodian of 56 Ellington-road. He had been in the habit of visiting the house regularly several times a week and went there at midday on 7th August. It was then in perfect order and everything was in its place, but when he again visited the premises on 9th August he noticed a lot of partly-burnt matches lying on the hall floor.

Candle-grease Clues.

Witness walked through to the scullery and found that the window there had been broken close to the catch. The key of the scullery door was normally left in the lock on the inside but it had been removed and was missing and the door was not bolted. It had apparently been locked from the outside. Witness then went through the other rooms in the house and found that the contents had been disturbed. There was candle-grease on the floor of the dining and drawing-rooms and witness reported the matter to the police, who inspected the premises. Witness was shown a round mark on the mantelpiece in a rear bedroom and that reminded him that a candlestick was missing.

The other articles mentioned in the charge were then produced in court and witness identified them as Miss Benn's property.

L/Bdr. Reginald John Salmon said that at about 6.30 p.m. on 9th August he had occasion to enter Randall's room at his billet. Defendant showed him a writing pad on a cupboard behind his bed and offered to sell it to witness for 2s. 6d. Later the same evening, having run out of notepaper, he agreed to purchase it from defendant for that sum. He had no reason to believe that it was stolen property.

Kit Inspection.

D/C Reid said that at 6.10 p.m. on 9th August he examined 56 Ellington-road with Mr. Collin. He found that the scullery window had been broken near the catch and that the door was locked and the key missing. There were splashes of candle-grease on the dining and drawing-room floors and some cupboards and drawers in these rooms had been opened. Traces of candle-grease were also found on the front bedroom floor.

At 12.30 p.m. the following day witness was present at a military kit inspection held at defendant's billet. In the kit of L/Bdr. Salmon he found the red writing pad and one of the pencils and took possession of them. Witness later examined defendant's kit and Randall produced the candlestick from a cupboard at the rear of his bed. Asked where he got it from, defendant replied "I found it under the floor-boards."

On 11th August witness again saw Randall, who accompanied him to the police station. On being told that the candlestick had been identified as the one stolen, he said "I found it under the floor-boards of my room the day after I moved in, I think last Thursday."

Later the same day defendant was charged with storebreaking by P/O Honess and in reply said "I am going to plead not guilty. I am not going to say anything else." He was detained.

Defendant's Statement.

Further enquiries were made by witness and as a result he again saw defendant on 15th August while he was in custody. He then said "I had better tell you the truth. I went into that house. I am sorry I have caused you all this trouble. Write it down and I will tell you all about it."

Continuing, D/C Reid said Randall made a statement in which he said he reached the rear of 56 Ellington-road by climbing over the wall of No. 58. He tried the back door and found it locked but noticed that the scullery window was broken, and got into the house. Going through the passage, he went into the front room and had a look round. Afterwards he went into other rooms and took the articles mentioned. "I dropped the candlestick and it made quite a noise so I came out through the scullery window," he concluded.

Witness said he was present at the police station on 31st August when P/C Shanahan charged Randall with the looting offence and defendant replied "I have nothing to say."

When the charges were read over to defendant he said "Nothing to say."

Randall was committed for trial at Sandwich Quarter Sessions to be held on 8th October and was allowed bail in his own recognisances of £10.

LT. DRAYSON WEDS

Lt. Robert Quested Drayson, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Drayson, of Broad End, Winterstoke-crescent, Ramsgate, was married at Repton, Derbyshire, last week, to Miss Rachel Jenkyns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Jenkyns, of Askew Cottage, Repton.

Early this year Lt. Drayson was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for skill and bravery displayed when the motor torpedo boat which he was commanding torpedoed a Nazi supply ship in the Channel last October.

The officer is an old boy of St. Lawrence College and Chatham House, Ramsgate, and he completed his education at Downing College, Cambridge. His father is general manager of Messrs. Vye and Son, the Kentish grocers.

IS THERE NO RELIEF?

We are sorry, but perhaps not. You see, buses are now allotted to special jobs and the one that would have served as your relief bus before the war, is probably detailed for factory transport, or some other vital job.

So when both the queue and the wait are long and no relief appears, don't blame the bus company, but put it down as another black mark against Hitler.

issued by:—

ALDERSHOT & District Traction Co. Ltd.
EAST KENT Road Car Co. Ltd.
MAIDSTONE & District Motor Services Ltd.
SOUTHDOWN Motor Services Ltd.

BRITISH BUSES

SCALE OF CHARGES

Advertiser and Echo

PREPAID

ADVERTISEMENTS

Words	1 Week	2 Weeks	3 Weeks	6 Weeks	13 Weeks	26 Weeks	52 Weeks
9 —	9d.	1/2	1/6	2/3	3/9	6/9	11/3
12 —	1/-	1/6	2/-	3/3	5/9	9/9	17/3
15 —	1/3	2/-	2/6	4/3	7/9	12/9	23/3
18 —	1/6	2/3	3/-	5/-	9/-	15/-	27/-
21 —	1/9	2/9	3/6	6/-	11/-	18/-	33/-
24 —	2/-	3/-	4/-	7/-	13/-	21/-	39/-
27 —	2/3	3/6	4/6	8/-	15/-	24/-	45/-
30 —	2/6	3/9	5/-	9/-	17/-	27/-	51/-
33 —	3/-	4/6	6/-	11/-	18/-	33/-	54/-

Advertisement Offices:
CHURCH HILL, RAMSGATE

SITUATIONS VACANT

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO WOMEN WORKERS

None of the advertisements below relates to a woman between 18 and 40 unless such a woman (a) has living with her a child of hers under the age of 14, or (b) is registered under the Blind Persons Acts, or (c) has a Ministry of Labour permit to allow her to obtain employment by individual effort.

N.B.—This does not apply to Teachers at recognised schools, members of the Nursing Profession, or to Agricultural Workers.

ROUNDSMAN wanted. — Page's Dairies, Victoria-road, Ramsgate. †54

MANAGER and Wife required, public-house, Thanet; good references; deposit £30.—Write, Warren, Auctioneer, Ramsgate. †51

MAIDS (resident) required at—
Epsom County Hospital, Dorking-road, Epsom;
Kingston County Hospital, Wolverton-avenue, Kingston-on-Thames;
Shabden Park Hospital, Chipstead;
St. Helier County Hospital, Carshalton;
Warren Road Hospital, Guildford;
Surrey County Sanatorium, Milford, nr. Godalming;
Botleys Park War Hospital, Chertsey;
Dorking County Hospital, Horsham-road, Dorking;
Cumberland House, Whitford-gardens, Mitcham.
Salary scale £55 x £5—£70 p.a., plus war bonus and full board, lodging, uniform and laundry.—Apply to Matron. †51

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL
Public Health Department
Epsom County Hospital, Dorking-road, Epsom;
Farnham County Hospital, Hale-road, Farnham;
Warren Road Hospital, Guildford;
Kingston County Hospital, Wolverton-avenue, Kingston-on-Thames;
Redhill County Hospital, Earlswood Common, Redhill;
St. Helier County Hospital, Carshalton.

Vacancies for Student Nurses have occurred at the above hospitals.

Applications are invited from young women at least 17 years old who are desirous of undertaking a course of three years' training in the practice and theory of Nursing. The course of general training is in accordance with the requirements of the General Nursing Council and candidates are prepared for State Examination for qualification of State Registered

Salary and service conditions according to Rushcliffe Committee Report, viz.: 1st year £40, 2nd year £45, 3rd year £50, together with full board, lodging, laundry and uniform.

After passing the final State Examination in General Nursing a number of nurses is accepted for midwifery training in the Council's Hospitals in preparation for the examination of the Central Midwives Board.

Further particulars and forms of application from the Matrons. †51

Advance Laundries, Minster
require
BOYS and GIRLS, 14 to 18
E.W.O. wages. Apply personally.

SITUATIONS available in greyhound racing kennels (London tracks); wages £2 10s. per week, plus free quarters, holidays with pay; Youths 16-18 years, experienced in hound or stable work, preferred.—Write, Box 150, c/o Pool's Advertising Service, Aldwych House, Aldwych, London, W.C.2.

MISCELLANEOUS

ELDERLY Lady and Daughter offer to share their home at St. Peter's in return for help in house and garden; elderly couple (about 60) desired, or single lady.—Write, Box 667, Advertiser Office, Ramsgate. 53

FOR SALE

MODERN Piano for sale, good condition.—O'Brien, 29 Vale-square, Ramsgate. 56

REMOVALS & STORAGE

HARDINGS Removal Service for removals to all parts by modern motor van; loads and part-loads required every day to and from London area; furniture warehoused for any period; estimates free; compare our charges with those of others.—Send postcard or call, Hardings, Removers and Storers. Staffordshire - street,

PERSONAL

BE TALLER! Quickly!! Safely!! Privately!!! Details 6d. stamp.—Malcolm Ross, Height Specialist, BM/HYTE, London, W.C.1. †56

At the Cinemas

SQUADRON LEADER X

SPY DRAMA AT PICTURE HOUSE

The circumstances that lead to a German pilot's arrival in Britain in the guise of a returned R.A.F. prisoner of war, his frantic efforts to get back to his homeland despite the vigilance of British Intelligence, and his amazing affair with a young girl of foreign extraction, provides an abundance of thrilling adventure in "Squadron Leader X," chief feature at Ramsgate Picture House to-day and to-morrow.

Moving through over 40 engrossing backgrounds, the story has been constructed around the personality of the pilot, played by Eric Portman, revealing in vivid detail the fatal weaknesses he discloses under the shadow of impending doom. Ann Dvorak plays opposite Portman. Also being shown is "Scattergood Rides High," with Guy Kibbee and Jed Prouty.

One of the gayest and most sparkling comedy films of the year, "Ball of Fire," the delightful new Gary Cooper and Barbara Stanwyck co-starring effort, heads the bill for the latter part of the week. Boasting a story designed essentially for laughter, it depicts the manner in which a group of eight professors compiling a new encyclopædia innocently become the target for a gang of criminals wanted by the police. There will be a full supporting programme.

STAGE TO SCREEN

FAMOUS PLAYS AT KING'S

Hedy Lamarr plays the sultry Tondelayo in the screen version of the famous play "White Cargo," which is being presented at the King's Theatre, Ramsgate, to-day and to-morrow.

Miss Lamarr is a vivid, alluring, tropical heroine, exerting a sinister spell over Richard Carlson, playing a young plantation overseer. Walter Pidgeon is co-starred with Miss Lamarr, as the hard-bitten, sullen and determined chief overseer. The story deals with his opposition to young Carlson's romance with the native charmer, the boy's deterioration under the endless heat, and the vivid climax in which his fiery sweetheart attempts to poison him. "Submarine Alert," with John Howard and Marguerite Chapman, is also being shown.

Screen version of another stage success, "My Sister Eileen," starring Rosalind Russell, Brian Aherne and Janet Blair, is the chief feature for the latter part of the week. Miss Russell and Miss Blair are seen as Ohio's Ruth and Eileen Sherwood. Ruth is reasonably level-headed, and she wants to be a writer. Eileen is phenomenal, a blonde bombshell of personality, and she wants to be an actress. As the editor of New York's most sophisticated magazine, Aherne helps both girls achieve their ambitions—but not until they have involved themselves and him in a series of delirious complications. The programme will also include Florence Rice and John Beal in "Stand By All Networks."

GIRL TROUBLE

ALAN LADD AT ODEON

A veritable barrelful of laughs, "Girl Trouble," featuring Joan Bennett and Don Ameche, heads the bill at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, to-day and to-morrow.

Ameche plays the role of a rich South American who arrives in New York to put over a big business deal. To acquire the necessary background, he decides to rent a flat and fate sends him to the luxurious apartment of Joan Bennett, a one-time wealthy society girl who is now forced to forego luxury and look for work. Ameche's unexpected arrival compels Joan to pose as her own maid, and from then on it is a riot of comedy. "How's About It," starring the Andrews Sisters, is also being shown.

Alan Ladd, the smoothest "tough guy" in the movie business, turns a blazing Tommy gun on three Japs in "China," chief feature for the latter part of the week. Ladd's co-star is lovely Loretta Young and the main supporting player is William Bendix. It is essentially a powerful love story, staged against a background of high adventure in the Orient. Ladd and Bendix are cast as American oil men thrown by circumstances into the heroic struggle of the Chinese people against the Jap invader. Loretta Young, an American teacher, enlists their aid in evacuating Chinese girl students in the face of a Japanese advance. "Mug Town," with the Dead End Kids, will also be shown.

This Week's Short Story

ENCOUNTER IN SANTA CRUZ

by RUFUS CAIRNS

All I can tell you about the place where I met the bearded Englishman is that it is—or was—somewhere off the Calle Alfonso XIII in Santa Cruz de Teneriffe. I had gone into the place because it was dark and cool and I was tired. And perhaps because a man with a remarkably fine voice was singing a song with a sad, seductive rhythm to the accompaniment of a guitar.

I sat in a corner and the place was so dark and clouded with cigarette smoke that I had been sitting there for some minutes before I was aware of a great hulk of a man within arm's length of me. He was huge. An unbrushed mass of white hair flowed down on to his broad, hunched shoulders. His face, in shadow, was rough-hewn, yet fine. Cigarette smoke trickled out from his unkempt beard. But what attracted me more than the appearance of the man, oddly impressive though it was, was his occupation. He was hunched over a crossword in an old copy of a British newspaper.

And then, as I watched him, he held up a great ham of a hand and, without looking up, beckoned to somebody. At that moment the man with the guitar stopped singing and there was a sudden, odd silence in the cafe.

I saw that the big, untidy man was now drawing a number of straight lines very rapidly, one under the other, along the white space at the foot of the newspaper, and then, with what seemed extraordinary speed, he was writing music.

He had almost finished when the man with the guitar reached his table, and then he tore off the piece of paper on which he had written the music and, without even glancing up, handed it to the singer.

I was impelled by the most urgent curiosity to speak to that mass of a man beside me.

"Pardon me," I said, "but you're English?"

He stayed hunched over his crossword. I assumed he had not heard. I tried another line of approach.

"It's the anagrams that generally beat me."

He did not look up. He just growled: "Shut up. Go away."

As I made my way between the tables, out of the crowded cafe, the man with the guitar was singing some strange new music. At the door I looked back through the haze of smoke. The man in the far corner was still bowed over his crossword. He didn't seem to be listening to the music he had so hastily written. And it was certain that nobody else was.

Had he entered into a little polite conversation I should probably have wished him good-day and thought no more about him. But as the days passed my desire to see him again deepened. More than once I went back to that cafe, but he was not there. Nobody there could tell me anything about him. All the guitar player could tell me was that he sometimes paid the Englishman a little for a song. He eyed me suspiciously, and I had the feeling that he knew more but would not say.

Weeks passed, and I concluded that I should never encounter the strange bearded man again.

And then one day I took the road to Tacoronte. I walked until I was very tired, for it is a steep and dusty road beyond La Laguna; and then I sat down beside the road and gazed across one of the loveliest valleys in the world to the Peak of Teneriffe.

It was mid-afternoon and there was a slumbrous quiet over all that high road, so that my senses were immediately arrested by sounds which seemed to me extraordinarly strange in such a place. Someone was playing a piano—and playing it remarkably well. Distant, but clear in the quiet of that high road to Tacoronte came music with which I was very familiar.

I got up and walked toward the source of the sounds. For a while I could see no house, and then suddenly I came upon what I can only describe as a shack, almost hidden amid luxuriant vegetation. The place seemed to be tumbling down; an adobe hut which seemed to me to consist of one room. The door was open and I could see that that room was almost entirely filled by a baby grand piano. And sitting at the piano was the bearded Englishman.

I stood unseen for many minutes in the tangle of greenery, listening to a faultless performance of what I suppose is the best-known prelude for pianoforte which has been composed in our time. And then he saw me, and with a kind of a snarl he repeated the words with which our acquaintance had been abruptly terminated.

"Go away!"

"I beg your pardon," I said, "but I was passing and I heard your playing. And may I say I've never heard Oregon's Prelude in C sharp minor more beautifully played. So many try to play it. You'd think it was the only prelude Oregon ever wrote. As I expect you know, he wrote thirty-two preudes for the piano—and many finer than the C sharp minor. The B minor, for instance, which you very seldom hear."

The bearded man looked me up and down with a resentful stare and then snapped out: "Thirty-three."

"No—I beg your pardon, but I happen to know my Oregon. Thirty-two."

The bearded man leapt up and stalked out to me.

"You pig-headed young ass!" he shouted. "I tell you he's written thirty-three."

And then, quite close to me, snarling down at me, he added:

"He wrote the thirty-third to-day, if you want to know."

I was suddenly afraid, because I was sure the man was mad.

"But that's absurd!" I said. "Oregon's dead."

"Come in here!" he growled, and dragged me into the hut. "Oregon's dead, is he? Well, look at this!—and this!—and this!"

He was gathering up manuscript music that littered the floor as though a great wind had lately blown through the hut. He thrust batches of manuscript into my arms, and I glimpsed the titles scrawled boldly across them —Sonata for Pianoforte and Violin, Elegy for Pianoforte and Viola, Nocturne in F. And then he snatched up a manuscript from the piano and waved it in front of me.

"There," he cried, "is the Thirty-Third Prelude. Perhaps you'd like to hear it."

He sat down heavily on the stool, and it was as though all the earth was being shaken with great gusts of magnificent music, a tempest of terrific harmonies such as I had never heard struck from a piano before.

When he had finished there was a profound quiet, disturbed only by the mighty breathing of the man at the piano.

"Well?" he said, after a long pause.

"Only Oregon," I whispered, "could have written that. And all the world knows Oregon was killed in a train crash in Chile years ago."

The bearded man was looking up at me with the most surprising smile.

"I owe you an apology," he said. "I was very rude to you. Your appreciation of my work is most touching."

And then abruptly the smile was gone, and he was towering over me again, his head up under the roof of the dark little hut, and shouting, "Oh, get out! Go away!"

But I couldn't move, even if I had wanted to run away. For I knew I was talking to Oregon.

• • • • •

It was dusk when he told me his story.

"Why am I telling you my secret?" he said, as we sat at a little table by the door of the hut, smoking cheroots and drinking vidonia. "I keep it for eight years—and then someone comes along and listens to my music. For the first time in eight years I have an audience. It was in that moment that I made up my mind to tell you."

It was really a very simple story. When he saw the erroneous report of his death in the train disaster he realized, that the chance he had dreamed of had come to him.

"I am really a very vain man," he said. "I longed for recognition, fame, the praise of the world. I became convinced that I shouldn't achieve that fame until I was dead. It's happened so often with composers. And then that absurd report of my death got into the papers. I was living in seclusion at the time, but luckily I saw the story headlined across a front page. I saw how Death had become my publicity agent. I saw the notices of the Oregon Memorial Concerts. And I decided that my big chance of 'living' as a composer was to stay dead.

"I got away in a freighter and stepped ashore on this island on a January day eight years ago. They don't worry much about passports in Teneriffe—or they didn't then. I walked straight through Santa Cruz and took the road that climbs inland.

"The Levante was blowing, and to get away from that dust I sheltered in this hut. And I've lived here ever since. I found the owner, bought it, had it made habitable. Then I bought a piano. That practically exhausted my resources. Since then I've lived by odd jobs—writing songs for cafe entertainers—you saw me at it on one of my rare visits to Santa Cruz the other day—helping in the vineyards and the banana groves around here. Oh, I've managed to live."

"But your work—your music?"

"Oh, there's a heap of it around here."

He smiled and with a shrug said he hadn't bothered.

"I once thought of sending one or two of them anonymously to my publisher, but I thought they might be traced back here somehow and——"

He broke off and stared at me with a peculiar smile, as though a new strange thought had come to him.

"Why shouldn't I send them to my publisher—through you?" he asked quietly. "Not now. After my death. My genuine death, I mean."

I was filled with a vague fear again. His queer smile and something pale and unearthly about him, despite his bulk, made me want to get up and run from that lonely hut beside the road to Tacoronte. But his voice was quite normal when he went on:

"You see, I'm getting an old man and I've a very definite feeling that my little masquerade is near its end. A year, perhaps. Maybe two. And then—the real thing . . . Oh, come, don't look so scared. I'm not a ghost—yet. Pull yourself together and listen to what I want you to do."

He wished me to take away the manuscripts of seven completed works and to keep them until I received word of his death.

"I will arrange," he said, "for you to be acquainted of my death. That cafe singer you heard in Santa Cruz—he has a curious regard for me. I will arrange for him to send the cable. Then I can rest assured that my works will reach my publisher—with proper explanation."

It was then that I broke in with all kinds of protests. I urged him to leave the hut and get himself properly looked after, with good food and medical treatment. I tried to reason with him, until suddenly he struck the table with his great fist and cried:

"Will you do as I ask, or won't you? If you won't—get out!"

I was moved by a profound pity.

"All right," I said. "I'll do as you say."

• • • • •

That was nearly four years ago, and to-day I received a cablegram from Santa Cruz. I have just written a letter to the managing director of Messrs. Brent and Bridge Limited, music publishers, of Salisbury Square, E.C. 4, asking for an appointment.

The characters in this story are entirely imaginary. No reference is intended to any living person or to any public or private company.

MINSTER MAN REPORTED KILLED

Pte. Stanley Osborne, of Withdene, Monkton-road, Minster, has been reported killed in action in Sicily.

A native of Brighton, Pte. Osborne married Miss Reville about three years ago and there are two children. He joined the Army soon after the outbreak of war and fought in North Africa with the Eighth Army.

POCKETS

A TALE OF A COAT

By GEORGE BIRMINGHAM

My friend Tom made up his mind ten days ago to buy a new suit of clothes. He had enough coupons, for his wife, a very honourable woman, had not stolen any of these valuable vouchers from him. He had enough money to pay the large sum clothes now cost. There was nothing to do except write to his tailor and give the order. At least that was what Tom thought. He was wrong. There was a good deal more. The tailor receiving the order wrote back a courteous letter. Tom had been a customer of his for years, and he was delighted to make clothes for him again—greatly delighted, for Tom had not ordered a suit since the war began. He is a very patriotic man and does not really mind if his trousers are baggy, his coat threadbare and his shoulders shiny. It was his wife who insisted on the new suit. She was ashamed, so she said, to walk out with Tom in the old one.

The tailor, though couretous, was firm. He said that according to the laws now in force Tom might have only three pockets in the coat, two in the waistcoat and three in the trousers. Tom did not want three pockets in his trousers. He had all his life been accustomed to two and a third would merely worry him. But he did want four pockets in his coat. He wrote back to the tailor suggesting that the third trouser pocket should be transferred to the coat. This seemed reasonable to him. It probably seemed reasonable to the tailor. No extra material would be required. No extra work was involved. But it did not seem reasonable to the Board of Trade, which is the body which makes laws about clothes. On the subject of the transfer of the pocket from one garment to another the Board was adamant. Such a transfer—this appeared to be their view—might very well cause us to lose the war, would certainly greatly help the U-boats in their malignant attacks on our ships. The tailor was full of regrets, but would run no risks. If he moved the pocket from the trousers to the coat he would certainly be fined, probably be imprisoned and possibly hanged. What would happen to Tom he did not know. That would depend on the view taken by a judge of the enormity of the offence.

Tom gave in, partly because he is a very loyal man and actually enjoys keeping laws; partly because he was a little afraid of the consequences of disobedience.

Birth of a Law.

It was some days after Tom's surrender that I happened to go round to his home in the evening for a smoke and a drink. I often do this and find that the time passes pleasantly. That evening our talk naturally turned on the suit of clothes and the forbidden pocket. We tried to make out how such a law was ever enacted and what was in the mind of the legislator.

Tom's wife, like all good women, was hard on her own sex. She gave it as her opinion that all government offices are full of girls. "Crawling with girls" was the phrase she used. Girls, having no pockets of their own, are naturally filled with a malicious desire to deprive men of these convenient comforts. Hence the law, an instance this time of woman-made law.

Tom was more kindly. He acquitted the girl legislators of malignancy, attributing the existence of the law to mere, perhaps amiable, stupidity. "Their heads are as fuzzy inside as they are outside, and that is very fuzzy indeed." There was something to be said for that view. The law we were discussing is amazingly silly.

My own view was different and I think more charitable. I laid no blame on girls or women. Few of them, I fancy, are ever allowed to make laws and I think highly of the moral character of the men who serve their country in this way. "Here," I said, rather pontifically, I fear, "are a number of honourable gentlemen, many of them graduates of our universities, who are paid salaries to make laws. This always happens in war-time. Being honest men they wish to earn their salaries and cannot bear the thought of being paid for what they do not do. Hence the immense number of laws, hence also, since all the sensible laws were made long ago, most of them in the time of Moses, the necessity of making silly laws like this one which forbids the moving of a pocket from one garment to another. Only very honest, and highly-paid men would sink to making a law like that.

Neither Tom nor his wife was much interested in my theory. Their minds were working on more practical matters. Tom's wife, who is a very good needlewoman, offered herself to transfer the pocket from the trousers to the coat, as soon as the suit was delivered by the tailor. "The material will be there," she said, "and the work will be quite easy. I can certainly do it."

I daresay she can. But what will the consequence be? Will Tom be arrested and imprisoned for wearing a coat with four pockets in it? The arm of the Law is long. So are its ears. There is little that it does not hear. Will Tom's wife be snatched from him and her children and interned in the Isle of Man, for doing what the tailor is forbidden to do? These are difficult questions and so far as I know no court of law has yet answered them by giving a decision. Nor is it likely that the Board of Trade would pay much attention to the pronouncement of a judge. But perhaps it, the Board of Trade, might take the matter up and, after a conference or a series of conferences if necessary, settle once and for all Tom's legal position when caught with only two pockets in his trousers, and what is to happen to his wife if she moves a pocket from the place by law established.

What of the Future?

Yet the important thing is not the comfort of a suit of clothes—everyone is ready to put up with inconvenient pockets if that is the way to win the war—nor even the immediate future of Tom and his wife. They will suffer patiently whatever punishment is inflicted and their friends will see to it that their orphaned children do not starve. What really troubles me is the question how long these laws are to continue in existence? How long is a fresh law to be made every day? Peace will not bring us relief. Of that we have already been warned by the people known as responsible statesmen. And the habit of making laws, like drug-taking and other vices, is very hard to break. Are we, the innocent public, to suffer all the rest of our lives from these pediculi legum?

Marshal of the Soil

He stands four square
between the sky
and his land;
between his land
and her enemies:
He marshals
his panzers —
the tractors;
He trains his
Commandos —
the land girls and
his cowmen and
carters,
his hedgers and
ditchers.
He turns grassland
to ploughland
and ploughland to
wheat;
with wisdom of
immemorial
experience,
he quickens the
peaceful round
of the seasons
to the swift rotation
of war.
He humours
the Old Country
to give of her best,
and she gives
Abundance.
His furrows reach
from his dairy door
to the horizon of peace,
and already
the leaning ears
of his wheat
are astir with rumours
of Victory.

• • • •

At this time of Thanksgiving let us give thanks for a record harvest — by making a record harvest of savings.

. . . — Save for Victory

Issued by the National Savings Committee

A NEW TECHNIQUE

ART EXHIBITION AT RAMSGATE

Arranged by the Army Educational Corps, an exhibition of pictures of exceptional interest was opened at Ramsgate Public Library on Wednesday by the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe).

Introducing the Mayor, Alderman W. Hawkins, chairman of the Library Committee, said that through the Forces Club the men in uniform were able to belong to a cultural centre, thanks to the educational side of the Army, which was fighting "satan on earth."

Lt. Openshaw, instigator of the exhibition, said that to win the war they had to have intelligent men, and smart soldiers had to be educated by all sorts of means.

As to the exhibition itself, it is an education on its own.

Mr A. Moody has lent some reproductions of famous pictures ranging from Della Francesca to Sisley and Renoir, but the greater part of the walls are covered by Miss Elsie Barling's loan of her pictures.

She is an artist of great talent, living in our midst, and the works she exhibited came from various well-known places—Bloomsbury Gallery, London Group, and New English Art Club. By this one would call her a modern painter. She is that, in the best sense of the word. She can use gouache, tempera or oils with equal ability. But she always gives one a sense of intense life, of vitality and of rhythm.

It is difficult after one cursory glance to judge which of them one ought to like best because her versatility is so great that one feels a little bewildered. Her sense of movement and humour are represented in "Sellers of Jazz Music," "Unloading of Sardines (Brittany)" and "In Harbour, Newling"—all in water colours.

In oil she paints the Brittany women who still wear the quaint coiffe of their ancestresses, and a lovely imaginative exquisite painting of "Winter in Dorset," where the trees and the discarded horse wagon form a most desolate and yet alive whole. A very architectural picture is "Seagulls in Harbour" in tempera and two most beautifully decorative pieces, "After the Gale," grouping some shells, and "Old Timber," which inspired the artist with a conception of dead wood coming to life with her imagination. Even if people do not understand this technique of non-photographic pictures, or of pictures without what they call a subject, they can look at her drawings of "Ramsgate Front" in sepia and realise that perhaps seeing things through the eyes of an artist is more conducive to seeing things as they are, with an added interest and desire to preserve beauty in all its forms.

Some of Miss Barling's pupils provided some charming lino-cuts. Their ages range from 10 to 16 and their sense of drawing and proportion, composition and imagination is quite remarkable in such young people. They are certainly worth studying.

The exhibition will be open for a fortnight.

MINSTER.

Dance Aids Russia.—Over 200 people attended the dance at Minster Parish Hall which raised £5 2s. 10d. for Mrs. Churchill's Aid to Russia Fund. Don Beerling's band provided the music.

A.T.C. Whist.—In aid of the A.T.C. Welfare Fund a whist drive was held at Minster Parish Hall on Wednesday. Major W. Howard was M.C., 15½ tables were in play and the effort made a profit of £1 15s. 8d. The prizewinners were Mr. Skillett, Mrs. Chilton, Mrs. Langdon, Mrs. Card, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. W. Loveday, Mr. Farr and Mr. Turner.

Funeral of Miss E. Caller.—The funeral took place at Minster cemetery on Wednesday of Miss Emily Caller, of the Croft, St. Mildred's-road, Minster, who passed away the previous Sunday at the age of 71 years. She came to Minster in 1939 on retiring from domestic service in Scotland. The mourners present included Mr. and Mrs. A. Knight (brother-in-law and sister), Mr. L. Caller (brother), Mrs. F. Watson and Mrs. H. Evenden (sisters).

If it's News ring Ramsgate 1012.

MEGGESON Bismuth Dyspepsia Tablets effectively combat indigestion. As well as relieving the pain and discomfort immediately, Meggeson Tablets eliminate the cause. Meggeson Tablets are pleasant to take and contain no chalk or excess alkali. Get a bottle to-day.

MEGGESON BISMUTH DYSPEPSIA TABLETS

1/6d. & 3/10. INCLUDING TAX
Sold by all qualified chemists.
Meggeson & Co. Ltd. LONDON, S.E.16.

MINISTRY OF FUEL AND POWER ANNOUNCEMENT

FUEL SUPPLIES TO CONTROLLED PREMISES

JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

No supplies may be obtained except from the merchant with whom the premises are registered.

1. **HOUSE AND KITCHEN COAL**: Except by licence, total supplies over the four months may not exceed 25 cwt., and no consumer's stock (including any delivery made) may be raised above **TWO TONS**.
2. **COKE** (not above 1¼ins.), **ANTHRACITE** (not above 1¼ins.), **WELSH DRY STEAM COAL** (not above 1¼ins.), **MANUFACTURED FUEL**, **KENT DRY STEAM COAL** (all sizes) — Except by licence, total supplies in this group may not exceed **ONE TON** in each month and total stocks may not be raised above **FOUR TONS**. These quantities are additional to those for house and kitchen coal.

The above quantities are not rations, but maxima, and are subject to supplies being available.

The restrictions do not apply to hospitals and schools not carried on for purposes of gain.

3. The following are not restricted as to quantity: Coke, Anthracite, and Welsh Dry Steam Coal of larger sizes than those given above, Coke Breeze, Anthracite Duff, Bituminous Slack (not above ½in.) and Washery Slurry.

ORDER YOUR FUEL NOW, BUT

DON'T expect to get coal of the size or type to which you have been accustomed in the past; it may not be available, either now or later.

DON'T burn any fuel at this time of the year, unless you must.

DO take part of your order, whether for stocking or current consumption, in coke or anthracite instead of coal. Even the smallest consumer can help in this way.

DO remember that every bit of fuel you use is so much less for direct war purposes.

SO SAVE ALL YOU CAN AND KEEP IT FOR THE WINTER

Householders whose real needs justify them in having more fuel than the above limits, either for consumption or stock, should apply at once to the Local Fuel Overseer for a licence.

ST. LAWRENCE LAUNDRY
THE FAMILY LAUNDERERS
WITH A FIRST-CLASS REPUTATION
MOTOR VANS COLLECT THROUGHOUT THANET
LET US CALL FOR YOUR EIDERDOWNS
MANSTON ROAD, ST. LAWRENCE, RAMSGATE
TELEPHONE 330

OVER £600

RAMSGATE MERCHANT NAVY WEEK SUCCESS

It is a remarkable tribute to the resiliency of Ramsgate that after nearly four years of war, and with a population still well below half its peace-time level, the Merchant Navy Week organised by the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe), should have produced a balance of £621 19s. 4d. for the Merchant Navy Comforts Fund.

The organiser, the secretary, Mrs. D. Peete, and the committee are also to be congratulated on having produced a balance sheet, details of which will be found elsewhere in this issue, so soon after the completion of the event.

The balance sheet speaks for itself but two outstanding items are the sum of £134 4s. 10d. raised by the wardens, police and allied services and £35 14s. 9s. raised by the schools.

The expenses of organising the week are very modest for so satisfactory a result.

VICAR OF BREDHURST

FORMER THANET LAY READER'S APPOINTMENT

The Rev. F. R. Gower-Smith, formerly well-known in Thanet as a lay reader, has been appointed Vicar of Bredhurst, near Chatham.

From 1923-33 Mr. Gower-Smith was lay reader at Minster Parish Church with Canon W. G. Boyd and upon his marriage to Miss F. M. Drury in 1933 he was appointed lay reader at Holy Trinity Church, Ramsgate, with the Rev. R. W. Bansall. In 1935 he became lay reader in charge of St. Wilfred's, Cowplain, Portsmouth, and in 1940 went to Wycliffe Hall Theological College, Oxford. Ordained deacon in 1941 and priest in 1942 by the Bishop of Rochester, he has since been curate at Yalding.

He expects to start his new duties at the end of September.

ROGERS
For RADIO—TELEVISION—PIANOS—and MUSICAL GOODS
102 HIGH STREET, RAMSGATE
Phone 870

F. J. PIKE (RAMSGATE) LTD.
Shopfitters, Builders, Decorators, etc.
111-115 HARDRES STREET, RAMSGATE
Phone Ramsgate 238

COLLIDED WITH HOME GUARD

BIRCHINGTON ENGINEER IN COURT

A collision between a car and a motor cycle ridden by a Home Guard had a sequel at Ramsgate district police court on Tuesday, when the motorist was summoned for driving without due care and attention at Minster on 11th July.

Defendant was Derek Percival Marriott, a civil engineer, of Canute-road, Birchington.

Mr. E. R. G. Weale, who prosecuted, said defendant was driving a 10 h.p. car from Birchington to Manston via Acol on the morning of Sunday, 11th July. As he was approaching the main Canterbury-Ramsgate road he swerved to his offside and at that moment a Home Guard dispatch rider, who had been riding up Tothill-street, came over the cross-roads in the direction of Acol. There was a collision and the Home Guard was slightly injured.

The dispatch rider, Paul William Layfield, of Shakespeare-road, Birchington, said that after finding that the cross-roads were clear he accelerated to between 15 and 20 m.p.h. He was about to take the bend where the Acol road joined the Canterbury-Ramsgate road when he saw a car approaching him on its wrong side. He made to swerve inwards to avoid the vehicle but finding he had not enough room he turned to his right and the nearside bumper of the car caught his machine.

Laughter in Court.

Pte. Edward Arthur Skidmore and Pte. Sydney Thomas Finnimore both told the magistrates that they were walking in the direction of Acol when defendant's car came towards them. He had to swerve to his right to pass them and then remained on the offside of the road. They could see no reason why he should not have returned to his correct side.

There was laughter in court when Mr. G. H. Edwards, representing defendant, asked Pte. Finnimore why he and his friend took such interest in the car as to watch it after it had passed them. "I was thinking how nice it would be to be in civilian clothes again and driving a car," replied the soldier. Mr. Edwards said the explanation was quite acceptable.

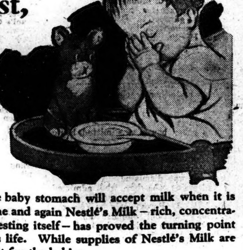
P/C Thompson said Marriott told him he was driving at about 10 m.p.h. on approaching the cross-roads and defendant estimated Layfield's speed at about 30 m.p.h.

Marriott told the bench that the turning he intended to make from Acol road into the main road was a difficult one and it was for that reason that he approached the crossing on his offside.

He was fined 10s., with £2 7s. 6d. costs.

If it's Printing ring Ramsgate 1012.

Babies first, please!



The most delicate baby stomach will accept milk when it is Nestlé's Milk. Time and again Nestlé's Milk—rich, concentrated, yet almost digesting itself—has proved the turning point in a difficult baby's life. While supplies of Nestlé's Milk are short, please leave it for the babies.

Issued by Nestlé's Milk Products Ltd.

THANET ECHOES

by The Listener

The Mayoral Stakes

THE lists are already open for the Ramsgate Mayoral Stakes and although the acceptances so far are few, the names of a number of runners are already being mentioned. Alderman Kempe's fifth year of office will come to a close in November—five years which have seen the biggest upheavals ever experienced since the incorporation of the borough. It would be a fitting reward to Alderman Kempe to have held office during victory year, but he indicated last November that it would be his last year in the chair. One always risks a loss of prestige in attempting to pick winners, but my prediction at this somewhat early stage is that Alderman Kempe will be succeeded by his Deputy, Alderman G. W. Twigger, who is now able to devote more time to local affairs than previously. When the war ends and for a year or so after Ramsgate will want a strong leader, a man capable of stating a case and interpreting the will of the Council and the people. No one would deny Alderman Twigger these qualities. The choice of mayor is necessarily restricted for two reasons. The first is that the majority of the members of the Council, many of whom have been co-opted and not elected by the people, have had little experience of municipal affairs, and the second is that business ties prevent a number of the remainder from accepting office. When councillors are paid for their services, as they should be, it will be easier to find the right man for the right job. In the past there has been too much of a tendency for people to take up Council work as a "hobby" after they have become too old to do anything else.

M.P. on the Carpet

ALTHOUGH the references have been somewhat veiled, it has been more or less suggested in several quarters recently that Capt. Balfour is too busy with his duties as Under-Secretary of State for Air to devote the time that is necessary to the interests of his constituents. Obviously, as a member of the Government, Capt. Balfour is not in a position openly to associate himself with a group of M.Ps which intends to press the Government to take a certain line of action, but as Alderman Oak-Rhind has pointed out, Capt. Balfour's influence might be the very thing necessary to catch the eye of those in authority. Capt. Balfour has rendered the country very fine service since the war, particularly as prime mover in the Empire Air Training Scheme, which has alone made possible the almost nightly raids on Germany, but at the same time he has kept in close touch with his constituency and no one with a genuine case appeals to him in vain. Few would say that Epping has suffered because it has Mr. Churchill as its Member, and Capt. Balfour will be the first to see that Thanet's claims are pressed to the hilt.

Party Politics Again

THERE are already signs of a revival of interest in party politics, no doubt fostered by the news that the machinery has already been set in motion to prepare an electoral roll so that we can get back to democratic representative Government as soon as the war is over. It will be interesting, and probably amusing, to see what kind of programmes the contending parties put forward for speeches by many Conservative statesmen these days would have been labelled "rank Socialism" but a few years ago. Men of all parties have been crying out against the menace of the big combines which have more and more tended to dictate the life of the nation and this has largely been responsible for the birth of yet another party, Common Wealth, which is already represented in Parliament and is gaining favour in the constituencies. First impressions may be that it is just "respectable Socialism," but before long the people of Thanet will have an opportunity of learning more about it. The next few months are also likely to see a revival of the official Labour movement in Ramsgate. It does not seem to matter a lot what people think, as long as they do think. It is when they allow other people to do their thinking for them that the real danger arises.

Too Late?

PUBLIC opinion can do anything. Public opinion kicked out Mussolini—because he had backed a loser. Public opinion put Hitler in power and public opinion has kept him there. People invariably get the government they deserve, but more often than not by omission than commission. If men and women don't take the trouble to exercise their rights they deserve all that's coming to them. Now that it appears to be almost too late, local authorities are waking up to the fact that the Government has robbed them of most of their powers. They have been bound hand and foot and the gag is half-way down their throats. If they had shouted earlier it might have had some effect, but the damage has already been done and bureaucracy now firmly holds the reins. One would not complain so much about this were it an efficient bureaucracy, since many people seem incapable of thinking for themselves, but it is not. If we permit dictatorship to become too firmly established in our midst it will need a revolution to remove it. Liberty has got to be fought for—all the time. Our motto must be eternal vigilance.

She Knew the Answer

A member of the A.T.S. approached a post at which a sentry was on duty. "Halt, who goes there?" the sentry challenged. No reply. "Halt, who goes there?" repeated the sentry. The reply this time came back "D'you think I'm going to say 'friend' after what you said to me last night!"

NEWSAGENT'S DEATH

Associated with the trade from boyhood, Mr. Arthur Charles Bowen, newsagent, of 15 The Parade, Margate, died last week at the age of 56 years.

Mr. Bowen, whose illness lasted about four months, had been in the wholesale and retail business for 30 years.

SICILIAN LANDING

MARGATE MAN'S GRAPHIC STORY

BOMBARDMENT FROM THE SEA

A short time ago we published an account written by a Margate man, Sig. Kenneth Allen, of the part he played in the capture of Linosa, which was occupied without a shot being fired following the fall of Pantalleria.

Now his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Allen, of Wellis-gardens, have received a descriptive and interesting story from him of the landings on the Sicilian coast.

Sig. Allen, who was employed in the Margate Borough Treasurer's office before the war and is now serving on a destroyer, writes:

"The main job was to land the Army safely and then back them up by bombarding the enemy lines. Our part of the journey started from Malta, and after some hours steaming we met our convoy. It was one of the largest I have ever seen in these parts, consisting almost entirely of liners. We took our place ahead, and by a somewhat circuitous route, designed, I imagine, to keep the enemy guessing for as long as possible, we steamed on towards our objective.

Close to the Coast.

"On the evening before zero hour the sea, what little was actually visible, presented a grand sight. Countless ships of all shapes and sizes were drawing near their rendezvous and were beginning to form up for their final part of the journey. The night was moonless. Time moved slowly. On the horizon we could see tracer fire colouring the sky, and the faint rumble of distant bomb explosions which wafted across the calm water showed that the R.A.F. were playing their most necessary part. In company with several other destroyers we moved ahead to act as policemen for the small ships which did the final job of landing. Our position was fairly close to the coast. The night was black, but as the bombs burst ashore we got spasmodic glimpses of the land. As the last bomb exploded the Army went into action.

"When dawn came the beach presented a most unusual sight, for all those ships which had come so many miles were peacefully lying at anchor close in to the shore, rapidly discharging. It might have been a busy British port. So far there had been no enemy action from sea or air, but later in the day a shower of bombs was dropped, causing no damage. The raid was brief, for, as red flags fluttered to the top of each mast, a barrage of an intensity unknown even to London was unleashed. This was the first of many such raids, but we survived.

Shore Batteries Silenced.

"During the days which followed we took part in several bombardments, one of which was unusual because our point of vantage was actually within the harbour itself. This was mentioned on the radio the following day. The actual job was to silence a few shore batteries which were proving somewhat tiresome. Naturally, they fired back at us and one or two whistled quite close, landing in the water astern. I can't remember how long we stayed there, but when we left all was quiet from inshore."

When Sig. Allen and his colleagues landed they found the coast most uninspiring but as they progressed inland in small groups they came across very fertile soil. Grapes in abundance were their first discovery, then they collected a large quantity of walnuts for pickling aboard.

"The next find," he goes on, "was a lemon grove and here we had a grand time. As usual the ripe ones were at the tops of the trees and, proving beyond all possible doubt Darwin's theory of evolution, we reverted to the ape stage. One gentleman, aspiring to great heights, suddenly found himself suspended by his ankles, the sight of which would have aroused jealousy in the breast of Johnny Weismuller. In about half an hour we collected sufficient lemons to stock every greengrocer's shop in Margate. . . . We returned to the ship with five sacks of fruit, a large amount of which has already disappeared into voracious mouths.

Hated the Germans.

"During our wanderings we found only one local family, living in a small farmhouse. There were five people, including a small baby sleeping peacefully in his cot. The mother was beside him, sewing, and close by another lady whom I took to be the grandmother of the child. The other two were men of indeterminable age. They spoke nothing but Italian, which made conversation almost nil, but with the aid of signs and the little Spanish I could remember, we managed to get along. We spoke to them about Mussolini. Whether they understood all we said, I don't know, but they did understand 'Mussolini' and made signs indicating that their late dictator had cut his throat, or, if he hadn't already, he ought to. Obviously they bore no love for the bombastic little man from Rome, but it transpired that they liked the Germans even less.

"They hadn't tasted bread for ages, but had, instead, a ration issue of biscuits of the dry, hard variety, which, together with fruit, constituted their diet. Whether they had meat or not I don't know, but we did find a couple of cows there. These people take very kindly to the Englishman, and now, more than ever before, I believe that by this war we are not only defending ourselves, but are being a very real source of deliverance to oppressed peoples."

MR. JOSEPH KING

DEATH OF FORMER THANET CANDIDATE

Mr. Joseph King, who died at Chilford, near Farnham, Surrey, on Wednesday, aged 83, was a former Liberal candidate for Thanet.

In the 1906 election Mr. King was beaten by Mr. Harry Marks (Conservative) by 5,154 votes to 3,961. The other candidate, Goodhart (Independent Conservative), polled 925 votes.

From 1910-18 Mr. King was Liberal M.P. for North Somerset.

WORSE THAN A THIEF

MINSTER HORSEMAN HEAVILY FINED

"But for your previous good character and the fact that your services on the farm are vital you would have gone to prison," said the Chairman (Capt. A. C. Hatfeild) at Ramsgate district police court, on Tuesday, to a horseman who was charged with receiving.

The magistrates first heard the case against two soldiers, Cpl. William Frank Turner and Pte. Clifford Chadbourne, who pleaded guilty to stealing four Army blankets and a 7lbs. tin of marmalade, the property of H.M. Government, at Minster on 24th July.

Henry Charles Wood, a 53-year-old horseman, of Abbey-cottages, Minster, was charged with receiving the property, knowing it to have been stolen.

Inspr. Hann, outlining the case against the soldiers, said that as a result of information received P/C Thompson went to Abbey-cottages and following his investigations there interviewed Chadwell. The soldier denied all knowledge of the blankets and marmalade but later made a statement in which he said that after he and Turner left the White Horse public-house on the night of 24th July, Turner suggested that they should go back to Minster with some blankets. They took two blankets each.

Drink Blamed.

Chadbourne admitted going to Abbey-cottages with Turner but said he did not know whether Turner received any money for the blankets. He blamed drink for his action.

Turner, in a statement to the police, said he went to the White Horse with the other soldier and got into conversation with Wood, who told them he would buy anything they had to sell. They took the blankets and marmalade to Wood's house and received 5s. each for the blankets and 3s. for the marmalade. He also stated that his action was due to drink.

The property stolen, said the inspector, was valued at £2 17s. 10d., and he added "if the civilian had had nothing to do with it, this offence would not have been committed."

Both defendants expressed regret for their offence and an officer who appeared on their behalf said he could not speak too highly of them. Neither of them had been in trouble in the service, not even for the most trivial offence, and their moral and military characters were excellent. "The loss of these men to the Army," he said, "would be a serious detriment to the war effort. It takes three years to train men up to their standard."

Turner and Chadbourne were each fined £1, the Chairman remarking "It is a great pity you have spoilt your excellent record."

Police Officer's Visit.

In the case against Wood, who also pleaded guilty, Inspr. Hann said that when P/C Thompson went to defendant's house and told him that two soldiers had been seen going to the house with blankets, he at first denied it. Then he took the police officer into the house and produced the blankets and marmalade.

In a statement Wood said he met two soldiers in the White Horse on the evening of 24th July and one said "Would you like to buy some blankets?" They came to his house with the property just after midnight.

Henry Francis Stevens, of Abbey Farm, Minster, said Wood had been in his employment for 11 years and during that period had been a reliable and honest workman. In view of the shortage of labour his services were indispensible.

Mr. E. C. Allfree, who represented Wood, made an eloquent appeal on his behalf. His client, he said, had pleaded guilty to an offence, which rightly was frowned upon by the law since it tended to assist thieves in crimes of larceny. Receiving, however, was an offence which varied very considerably in its degree of culpability and he thought it could be placed in three categories.

In the first place there were the professional receivers who employed gangs of thieves. That was the worst type. Then there were receivers who intimated that they were prepared to buy any goods that people would bring along. In the third place there were isolated cases of receiving, usually where a man accepted stolen goods in a moment of weakness or because he was over-persuaded.

Highest Form of Justice.

The administration of criminal law, said Mr. Alfree, had reached a condition of affairs where the highest form of justice was that which considered what was best for the delinquent consistent with the safety and interests of the community. It was recognised now that justice should be administered more in accordance with the law of God than heretofore. In the old times if a man was convicted of sheep stealing he was hanged and that happened almost within living memory. Now the courts considered what was best for the delinquent.

His client, continued the solicitor, went into a public-house on a Saturday evening after a hard week's work, a perfectly honest man, and came out a criminal. Why? Because he had met two soldiers, drank with them and, after exchanging confidences, received a proposition from one of them. Instead of wisely declining he found it easier to say "yes."

He felt that defendant did not contemplate embarking on a course of crime. Wood was living in a peaceful rural district doing good and useful work. Was he to be taken away from that work and cast in prison?

Announcing the decision of the magistrates, the Chairman made the remark quoted above and said they had decided to fine Wood £7. "We feel that these cases of receiving are worse than stealing," he said.

4th (Thanet) CADET BN. THE BUFFS

Commanding officer—Capt. H. D. Rose, T.A.R.O.

Battalion headquarters—27 Harbour-street, Ramsgate.

Orders for the week commencing 29th August.

Part 1 (parades).

To-day.—Broadstairs Platoon at 18.30 hrs. A and C Coys. at 19.00 hrs. Training according to programme.

Wednesday.—A and B Coys. at 19.00 hrs. Training according to programme.

Thursday.—Broadstairs Platoon at 18.30 hrs. C Coy. at 19.00 hrs. Training according to programme.

Part 2.—Certificate "A" Part 1.

The examination for Certificate "A" Part 1 will take place very shortly and officers and cadets should give their names to their company commander as soon as possible. All ranks are reminded that the holding of this certificate will facilitate quick promotion on joining the regular forces.

T. Wells, Lt., T.A.R.O.
Adjt. for C.O.

FOOD FACTS

APPLE HARVEST

Apples are plentiful, and it's grand to serve delicious apple sweets to the family. Eat all you can, revel in apple fool, apple tart, and apple dumpling; but think also of the Winter months ahead when fruit is unobtainable, and *for every pound of apples you eat now preserve another pound for future eating.* Winter meals will prove less of a problem if the larder is stocked with apple pulp, apple rings, apple and ginger jam, and apple chutney. Make the most of the apple harvest.

Apple Pulp

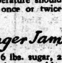
This is a quick and easy way of preserving apples. A large quantity of fruit can be stored in each jar and used later on for making into jam or for making apple puddings.

Peel and core the apples and remove any blemished parts. Stew in a saucepan with just enough water to prevent burning until the fruit is cooked through. While still boiling pour into *hot* bottles and seal immediately with hot lids. When using a screw-band give a half turn back to allow for expansion. Now immerse the bottles in a pan of hot water which must be raised to boiling point and boiled for five minutes. Take out the bottles to cool. Test next day. Remove screw-band or clip: if the seal is perfect it should be possible to lift the jar by the lid. If the lid comes off re-sterilise or use at once. For sweetened pulp follow the method given above, but add a little sugar to the fruit before it is brought to the boil.

Apple Rings

Here's a way of keeping apples that can be used for windfalls or blemished fruit.

Wipe the apples, remove the cores and peel thinly, cutting out any blemishes. Slice into rings about ¼ inch thick. Steep the rings for ten minutes in water containing 1½ ozs. of salt to the gallon. Thread the rings on sticks or canes to fit across the oven or spread on trays. Dry very slowly until the rings feel like chamois leather. The temperature should not exceed 150° F. Turn once or twice during drying.



Apple and Ginger Jam

Ingredients: 6 lbs. apples, 6 lbs. sugar, 2 pints water, 1½ ozs. ground ginger, 1 tablespoonful citric or tartaric acid.
Quantity: 10 lbs. *Method*: Peel, core and cut up the apples, tying peel and cores in muslin and hanging them in the pan. Place the apples and water in a preserving pan with the acid and ginger, and cook until tender. Remove the bag of peel after squeezing out the juice. Add the sugar, stir till dissolved, and boil quickly until setting point is reached.

Apple Chutney

Ingredients: 5lbs. apples, 1 lb. onions, 1½ lbs. sugar, 1½ pints vinegar, 1 teaspoonful ground ginger, ½-1 teaspoonful salt, ½-1 teaspoonful pickling spices (if necessary)
Method: Cook the onion in a little water until soft, mix in all the other ingredients except sugar and vinegar. Add just enough vinegar to prevent burning and add more as the chutney thickens. After about 1½ hours cooking the chutney should be quite thick, and the rest of the vinegar and the sugar should be added. Cook until the chutney is like thick jam, and take care that no free vinegar is left. It is a good plan to make a small trial lot first using 1 lb. of fruit and the other ingredients in proportion. The spicing can then be varied to suit individual tastes.

Swiss Apple

This is a quickly-made sweet which the children will love.
Ingredients: 1 large apple, 1 heaped tablespoon rolled oats, 1 heaped teaspoonful sugar, 2 tablespoonfuls evaporated or top milk.
Quantity: one helping
Method: Soak the rolled oats in the milk for an hour or more. Grate the unpeeled apple and add to the mixture with the sugar. Beat together.

LISTEN TO THE KITCHEN FRONT EVERY MORNING AT 8.15

THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, LONDON W.1. FOOD FACTS No. 16.

25 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

THE WAR OF 1914-18

With Mr. B. E. Mirams as secretary, a new club has been started in Ramsgate with the object of keeping together in wholesome surroundings youths who are not yet of military age.

* * * *

Before returning to France recently Pte. R. V. Pay, of Ramsgate, was married at Bradford to Miss Dorothy Nettleton.

* * * *

Sgt.-Major Clarke, Royal Artillery, of Boundary-road, Ramsgate, has been mentioned in dispatches for services rendered in connection with military operations in Mesopotamia.

* * * *

P/C Charles Barrow, a member of Ramsgate police force, is home on draft leave this week after having already seen some interesting service in the East African campaign.

* * * *

One of the most successful students of Ramsgate Art School, Lt. Percy Matthews, The Buffs, sends home from the east a copy of the "Balkan News." This is Tommy's public platform and news carrier in those regions and the news of the burning of Ramsgate Marina pier was published 10 days after the event.

* * * *

After two and a half years as a prisoner in Germany, Sgt. H. C. Hammond, of 26 La Belle Alliance-square, Ramsgate, has reached Holland safely.

* * * *

On his retirement from Ramsgate police force, C/I Paine has been presented by the special constables with a case of pipes and a walking stick.

50 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

CORPORATION OUTING

The Mayor and Corporation of Ramsgate and several friends had an enjoyable outing on Thursday when they went to Sevenoaks. The party journeyed by train and were accommodated in three saloon coaches which had been placed at their disposal by the South-Eastern and Chatham Railway. On arrival at Sevenoaks they were conveyed in brakes to the Crown Hotel, where a light luncheon was served. After this the brakes were requisitioned and the company enjoyed a delightful drive lasting three or four hours through the surrounding countryside. Knole Castle was visited and the party were conducted over this magnificent building. Dinner was served at the Crown Hotel at 5 o'clock and the company left for home soon after eight.

THEATRE OF VARIETIES

The Marina Theatre of Varieties, Ramsgate, still retains its popularity as a high-class place of amusement and during the past week the entertainments have been well patronised. Marion Clarke, the talented contralto, continues to give great satisfaction and Katie Gower's transformation dances take immensely. The comic sketch, "The Waiter" by the popular comedian Fred Pollard, is still produced with great success and his parody on "The Bay of Biscay" is enthusiastically received.

AID FOR CHINA

INNER WHEEL CLUBS' FINE EFFORT

Mrs. E. M. Billingham, of Ramsgate, who is president of the Association of Inner Wheel Clubs, has presented a cheque for £2,430 from the organisation to Lady Cripps for the United Aid to China Fund.

The clubs were formed nine years ago by women relatives of Rotarians and there are now 216 of them in Great Britain. In superintending their activities Mrs. Billingham has travelled nearly 10,000 miles.

Thanking the members for their generosity, Madame Wellington Koo, wife of the Chinese ambassador to Britain, said the money would help destitute women and children, and students whose universities have been bombed.

FULL COMMISSIONER

RAMSGATE MAN'S "ARMY" PROMOTION

Important changes in the High Command of the Salvation Army made by Gen. George L. Carpenter, the International Leader, consequent on the retirement of the Chief of the Staff, Commissioner Cunningham, has brought a well-earned dual promotion to one of its chief officials, a distinguished son of Ramsgate.

This is Lt.-Com. Henry D. Gore, who joined the Army from Ramsgate as an officer 45 years ago. He is now elevated to the rank of full Commissioner, with charge of the Army's work as International Secretary for Asia, Africa, Central America and the West Indies—over two continents and a considerable part of another.

Com. Gore has risen steadily in importance in the Army's service since he entered it in 1898, and has acquired first-hand knowledge of its various missionary territories. Not only has he served in India, in various capacities, for 26 years, but as secretary to the Chief of the Staff he has travelled extensively in the Far East, including the Netherlands Indies, Korea, China and Japan.

The Commissioner married in 1938 an Army officer, who was then Adjt. Mabel Pengelly. Two of his daughters by an earlier marriage are also serving officers in the Army.

Up to the end of July Ramsgate had contributed £1,457 and Margate £1,567 through the Red Cross Penny-a-Week Fund.

BUILDERS CONTRACTORS DECORATORS
GRUMMANT
(S. E. Austin, C. F. Grummant, B. S. Austin)
107 & 109 GRANGE ROAD RAMSGATE
House Repairs of Every Description
NO JOB too SMALL or too LARGE
to command Personal Attention
Telephone 300

RAMSGATE MERCHANT NAVY WEEK

31st JULY to 7th AUGUST, 1943.

Receipts and Payments Account

RECEIPTS

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To **Concert and Queen Contest**		
Sale of Admission Tickets	34 16 6	
Sale of Programmes	3 1 0	
		37 17 6
Grand Fete		
Sale of Admission Tickets	80 9 3	
Sale of Enclosure Tickets	13 18 6	
Sale of Programmes	10 15 0	
Sale of Concert Party Tickets	7 0 9	
Baby Show entry fees	1 4 6	
Proceeds from Amusement Park ...	9 10 0	
Proceeds from Scales	2 5 4	
Proceeds from Raffle	11 16 7	
Teas	4 14 0	
Minerals	10 6 0	
		151 19 11
Whist Drives		
Net proceeds		12 17 3
Boxing Tournament		
Sale of Admission Tickets	71 14 6	
Sale of Programmes	2 5 5	
Donations	1 3 6	
Collection	3 9 4	
		78 12 9
Merchant Navy Ball		
Sale of Admission Tickets		73 5 0
Cricket Match		
Admission Fees ...		5 9
Auction Sale		
Net proceeds		20 19 0
Flag Day		
Collections:		
Wardens' boxes ...	38 6 0	
Other boxes ...	107 18 6	
		146 4 6
Donations and Contributions		
School children ...		35 14 9
Wardens, Police and Allied Services ...	134 4 10	
Less amount shown under Flag Day ...	38 6 0	
		95 18 10
Other donations ...		163 4 6
		£816 19 9

PAYMENTS

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
By **Concert and Queen Contest**		
Hire of Hall	2 2 0	
Concert Party expenses	1 6 0	
		3 8 0
Grand Fete		
Hire of Loud Speaker	3 3 0	
Hire of Royal Marines Band	5 5 0	
Band Refreshments ...	4 6 0	
Printing	5 6 0	
Stationery and Postage	3 10 9	
Tug of War Prizes ...	4 0 0	
Taxi hire	6 0	
Labour	13 15 6	
Purchase of Minerals	4 12 4	
Staff expenses and other disbursements	2 6 0	
		46 10 7
Boxing Tournament		
Hire of Hall	4 9 0	
Prizes	10 7 4	
Labour, erection of ring	1 11 6	
Boxers' expenses ...	5 9 7	
		21 17 5
Merchant Navy Ball		
Hire of Hall	3 7 0	
Hire of Band	7 10 0	
Band Refreshments ...	1 6 0	
Petty disbursements	1 3 6	
		13 6 6
Flag Day		
Cost of Flags ...		8 0 0
General Expenses		
Merchant Navy Queen Prize	5 0 0	
Travelling expenses ...	11 0 6	
Prizes	15 9 0	
Printing of Official Guide	15 0 0	
General Printing and Advertising ...	35 13 11	
Labour, general expenses, etc. ...	19 9 6	
Cheque Book	5 0	
		101 17 11
		195 0 5
Amount available for Merchant Navy Comforts Fund		
Paid on account ...	89 12 10	
Balance	532 6 6	
		621 19 4
		£816 19 9

I have examined the above Receipts and Payments Account with the books and vouchers which have been presented to me and certify its correctness in accordance with the information which I have received.

EDWARD H. CLARKE, A.S.A.A.
Hon. Auditor

20th August, 1943.
25 Warten-road, Ramsgate.

A. B. C. Kempe, Chairman & Organiser Mrs. D. Peete, Secretary
Mayor's Parlour, Clarendon House, Ramsgate.

RAMSGATE

Change of Address.—Mr. F. P. Hind (chartered masseur), formerly of 31 Chapel-place, Ramsgate, is now practicing at 94 Queen-street, Ramsgate, opposite the car park.

Whist Drives every Thursday at 3 p.m., at the Gymnasium, Clarendon House, Ramsgate, in aid of Red Cross Fund and Mayor's Services Comforts Fund alternately. Admission 1s. Good prizes.

Hospital's Fine Effort.—A fine total of £145 was raised as a result of the fete held in the grounds of Ramsgate General Hospital in aid of the Red Cross Invalid Prisoners of War Fund. The event was reported in our last issue.

You cannot do better than take anything you have to sell to an old-established firm. Prosser and Newbery buy old gold, jewellery, silver plate, glass, cutlery, etc. Licensed valuers. 47 and 48 Queen-street, Ramsgate.

Concert Helps Red Cross.—The recent concert presented byo P/C Jordan's party at the Palace Theatre, Ramsgate, realised a fine total of £38 for the Red Cross Prisoners of War Fund and a promise of a donation of £2 will bring the figure up to £40.

Choral Festival.—A choral festival by combined church choirs is to be held at St. George's Church, Ramsgate, on Thursday, commencing at 7 p.m. The choirs will be conducted by Mr. E. J. Yeo, with Mr. R. J. Bowen as organist, and there will be a collection to defray expenses.

Whist Drives held every evening at Ramsgate Working Men's Club, Chatham-place, at 7 p.m., in aid of the Red Cross Fund. Admission 1s. Good prizes. Whist drives have already contributed over £89 to the fund. A jumble sale will be held shortly in aid of the fund, and gifts of old clothing will be greatly appreciated. Will anyone desiring to help this good cause with a gift of clothing please send a postcard to the Ramsgate Working Men's Club, Chatham-street, when a representative will be pleased to call.

AIR CADETS IN CAMP

THANET LADS WITH THE R.A.F.

Sixty-seven members of the Thanet Squadron of the Air Training Corps —23 from A and B (Margate) Flights, 31 from C and D (Ramsgate) Flights, and 13 from E (Minster) Flight—under Flg.-Off. F. W. Duncan, M.C., M.M., R.A.F.V.R. (T.) (A Flight Commander), assisted by the Squadron Warrant Officer (Mr. G. Cullen), spent a week recently as guests at an R.A.F. station in Hampshire.

Leaving Thanet at about 10 o'clock on the Sunday morning, they arrived at the camp at about 8 in the evening. After a meal they went straight to their billet, which proved to be a fine old Georgian country manor house some two and a half miles from the R.A.F. station. Being situated well in the heart of a forest the cadets were glad of their cycles, which had been sent on in advance. All meals—and the food was good and plentiful—were served by members of the W.A.A.F. in the airmen's mess. The station staff, from the Commanding Officer downward, proved most helpful and were keen to do all they could for the welfare and instruction of the cadets. For the convenience of instruction the party was divided into four sections.

Each day commenced with breakfast, followed by half an hour's drill with the W.O. and one hour's recreational P.T. with the station P.T.I. This was followed by 15 minutes "break" for the N.A.A.F.I., and the rest of the morning was spent on instruction on parachute operating and packing, dinghy drill, armaments and meteorology, whilst each section in turn spent the morning on the rifle range. Two afternoons were taken up by a pleasant trip to Highcliff-on-Sea, a very pretty ride, for bathing.

After tea there were lectures from 5.30 to 6.30 on various subjects held in the briefing room—camouflage, beam approach and paratroop jumping were some of them. After supper various entertainments were arranged in the mess hut—an E.N.S.A. concert, a film show, a dance were among them —finishing up with a camp sing-song in the manor on the last evening.

The one disappointment of the week was that no aircraft were available for "flips."

On the way home the party spent two enjoyable hours in Southampton. The travelling arrangements were excellent, and the party arrived back in Thanet on Saturday evening, having had a foretaste of the life in store for them if and when their turn comes to join the R.A.F.

GREAT SKILL AND GALLANTRY

RAMSGATE MAN'S PRAISEWORTHY EXAMPLE

As first announced in the ADVERTISER & ECHO, Acting Flt.-Lt. Mark Clifford Bateman, R.A.F.-V.R., No. 236 Squadron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bateman, of the Cinque Ports Arms, King-street, Ramsgate, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

The citation of the award states: "Flt.-Lt. Bateman has participated in a large number of sorties, including numerous attacks on shipping in the face of strong opposition. He has displayed great skill and gallantry throughout, setting a praiseworthy example."

Educated at St. Mary's College, Canterbury, Flt.-Lt. Bateman enlisted in 1940 and was commissioned in the R.A.F.V.R. in 1941.

Mr. W. H. Burton

DEATH OF MANSTON SMITH

Manston mourns the passing of one of its best-known characters, Mr. William Horace Burton, of the Forge, who died at the Kent and Canterbury Hospital on Monday, aged 61 years.

A native of Canterbury, he had lived in Thanet most of his life, first at Westgate and then at Ramsgate. On entering the blacksmith's trade he was employed at Garlinge and Westgate and 32 years ago he became village blacksmith of Manston and district. Mr. Burton had a large circle of friends especially among the farmers and their employees and he took a great interest in the welfare of the village. For 11 years he was a member of the parish council and was chairman of that body for two terms.

When air raid precautions were introduced he was the first man in Manston to offer his services and was appointed senior warden. He was head special constable of Manston in the last war.

Mr. Burton leaves a widow, two serving sons, one of whom is in the Middle East, and one daughter.

The Funeral.

When the funeral took place at Ramsgate cemetery on Friday the service was conducted by the Vicar of St. George's (the Rev. George Bennett).

The chief mourners were the widow, Mr. Roy Burton (son), Mr. and Mrs. Vince (son-in-law and daughter), and Messrs. B. Lednor, Fred Harrison, Johnson, Drake, Horton, Roberts and Bax. Members of the Civil Defence services and other friends were at the graveside.

Floral tributes included those from: Mum; Will and Annie; Horace, Edna, Jim and Roy; Mrs. Vince and family; George, Minnie and family; Emmie, Jack and family; Mrs. Glover and Miss Loder; Mr. and Mrs. Beerling; Mr. and Mrs. W. Lednor; Mr. G. Philpott; Mr. and Mrs. E. Lednor and family; Mr. S. Brockman and John; Mr. and Mrs. R. Solly and family; Ramsgate wardens; Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Impett and Mr. and Mrs. Impett, junr.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Steed; Mr. and Mrs. A. Lednor and Sylvia; Mr. J. Parker; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Smith and family; Flo, Bill, Derek and Roy; National Master Farriers' Association; Fred Harrison; Mr. and Mrs. Harrison and family and Harry and Jack Piddock; Mr. R. J. Cole; Mr. and Mrs. Walters; Miss Bingham and Stan; Wardens' post E19; Bert, Eddie, Leslie, Lily and Wyles (Westwood).

Mr. W. H. Maskell, of Hardres-street, Ramsgate, was the undertaker.

On Service

NEWS OF THANET MEN & WOMEN

Absent With Leave Smartly dressed in the colourful uniform of the Cameron Highlanders, Charlie Bailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Bailey, of 52 Chapel-road, St. Lawrence, is home on a fortnight's leave. By good luck he met his neighbour, A/B Norman Smith, R.N., a chum since their days together at St. Lawrence School, who has also been back in town after seven months at sea.

Several Old St. Georgians are spending, or have just returned from, their leaves in Ramsgate. They include 18-year-old Ron Bushell, who is studying for aircrew duties in the R.A.F., and Stkr, first class Basil Brown, R.N., of 68 Percy-road, who has been in the forces 18 months, transferring from the Fleet Air Arm to the Navy. Sub-Lt. Ron Smith, R.N., a nephew of Mr. Ernest Pettitt, of High-street, and great friend of Harry Lawford, looked in at the Ramsgate Oddfellows' Club last week wearing the ribbon of the Distinguished Service Medal which he received from the King at Buckingham Palace last summer for courage and seamanship in action against German E-boats off the Dutch coast.

Another old boy of St. George's enjoying a stay in the town over the week-end was Mr. Leslie Darby, proprietor of Margate-road garage, who is employed in engine maintenance work by the Fleet Air Arm. Friends of Leslie's father, who farmed Newlands until ill-health forced him to retire some months ago, will be sorry to hear that he is again in the Kent and Canterbury Hospital, where he has undergone a second operation.

Other Ramsgate men on leave include Gdsmn. Charles King, of 1 Whitehall-road, who, as a member of Lord Lovat's 4th Commandos, took part in the raid on Dieppe, and Mne. Richard Goodbourn, of 2 St. Luke's-road, a former Home Guard.

0:0 0:0 0:0

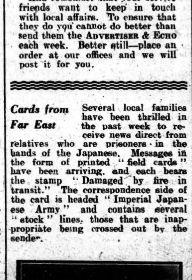
Sergeant's Greetings In an airgraph written to the Editor, Sgt. Wally White, well-known among old boys of Lillian-road School, wishes "good luck to all at home." "I was interested to read in your 'On Service' column about fellow Old Hornets," he says, "and know that they and the others will carry on with the good work." Sgt. White joined the Royal Tank Corps in 1935 and went to Egypt in 1938. He is now serving with a famous division in the Middle East.

This week our popular feature enters upon its second year. In the past 12 months it has been our pleasure each week to publish tit-bits about the local men and women in the forces which are of great interest to those who keep the home fires burning and, perhaps, even more welcome by the sons and daughters of Thanet now scattered far and wide.

Bring us the news of your relatives in the services and we will publish it. Photographs suitable for reproduction would also be appreciated. We do not make any charge for this service.

And remember that your service friends want to keep in touch with local affairs. To ensure that they do you cannot do better than send them the ADVERTISER & ECHO each week. Better still—place an order at our offices and we will post it for you.

Cards from Far East Several local families have been thrilled in the past week to receive news direct from relatives who are prisoners in the hands of the Japanese. Messages in the form of printed "field cards" have been arriving, and each bears the stamp "Damaged by fire in transit." The correspondence side of the card is headed "Imperial Japanese Army" and contains several "stock" lines, those that are inappropriate being crossed out by the sender.



L/Bdr. W. R. Beer.

The card which Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Beer, of 3 Hertford-street, Ramsgate, have received from their son, L/Bdr. Wilfred R. Beer, R.A., reads: "I am interned in a prisoner of war camp. My health is excellent. I am working for pay. Please see that everyone is taken care of. My love to you all."

Similar messages have been received by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Matthews, of 31 Albert-street, from their son, Gnr. Arthur E. Matthews, R.A., and by Mrs. Holloway, of 6 Leonards-avenue, from her husband, Gnr. Ernest H. Holloway, R.A.

0:0 0:0 0:0

Got His Wings Training at Calgary, Alberta, Canada, within sight of the Rocky Mountains, Flt.-Sgt. Reginald A. Dobson, R.A.F., of 20 Norman-road, St. Peter's, has gained his pilot's wings. Only son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Dobson, Reg is nearly 20 years old and, joining the service just over 12 months ago, had some training in this country before going to Canada. He is an old boy of St. Peter's School and sang in St. Peter's choir. Before entering the R.A.F. he was employed at Broadstairs Post Office. Joan Dobson, his only sister, is serving as a corporal in the W.A.A.F.

Officer's Promotion Our congratulations to Capt. Edward Judges, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Judges, of Poona, Mayforth-gardens, Ramsgate, who recently received his third "pip."

"Ted," as he is popularly known, is an Old St. Georgian and until joining The Buffs over three years ago was manager of the ironmongery department of Messrs. R. Millett and Sons Ltd., King-street, Ramsgate. About six months after joining the Army he went to the Middle East and took part in the fighting in Greece and Crete, losing every bit of his kit in the evacuation of the island. After spending 18 months in Palestine, he is now in another part of the Mediterranean regions in charge of a stationery depot.

Capt. Judges, whose wife and baby are living at Harrow, writes to his parents to say "The weather here is, as usual, hot and sticky and I am writing clad only in a pair of pants. I am very comfortable, however, as I have now got used to the climate. My existence in the Middle East for two and a half years is apparently proving good training, for one or two chaps who have only been here for a few months walk about like washed out rags and are perpetually tired. I have taken up tennis and am also having swimming lessons. Of course I do plenty of sun-bathing as well and am just changing from the red to the brown state."

The captain's elder brother, Sgt. Percy Judges, a member of the Royal Corps of Signals, also in the Middle East, is instructing in morse with a light anti-aircraft battery. He has something to say about the weather, too. "You can have as much sunshine as you want," writes Percy, "for we'll never miss it."

Living in Ramsgate until recently, Sgt. Judges' wife has now moved to London.

0:0 0:0 0:0

Prisoner Makes Hay In a letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Gore, of 12 Thanet-road, Broadstairs, Pte. Charles Ernest Gore, who is a prisoner of war in Germany, states that he is employed in haymaking. Writing of his longing to return to his family, he says "Every day is one day nearer home."

A former chorister at Broadstairs Roman Catholic Church, Pte. Gore was a member of the Territorials before the war. He was captured in France in the retreat to Dunkirk. During the last war his father served for over three years with the 17th Lancers and The Buffs.

0:0 0:0 0:0

Patient Returns After being on the danger list for some time, Pte. Douglas Arthur Weight, of 14 Drapers-avenue, Margate, is now improving and has arrived at a hospital in England. Pte. Weight, a member of The Buffs, was taken ill with dysentry when he arrived in the Middle East in May last year and has been a hospital patient ever since. Previously working as a painter and decorator, he joined the Army three years ago.

0:0 0:0 0:0

Sicilian Scenes Some of the men who joined the light anti-aircraft battery formed in Margate soon after war broke out, are in Sicily. They include Gnr. Fred Raines, who reports that they are "in a nice little place with plenty of grapes, lemons and oranges," and Gnr. Fred Ashdown, brother of a Margate policeman, who refers to Mount Etna as "a great boil with grey, uninviting sides."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

VITAL DEMOCRACY

Sir,—Most of us who are suffering the demoralising effects of continuous wars are concerned at the kind of living that provokes them and are anxious to see carried into effect a new way of living in which wars cannot exist.

We seek a way in which one's neighbour is loved as oneself—for we are in a period where "wealth doth heap its secret store and want forgotten die." We wish to live in a world where the predominating motive is how best can the community in which we live be served.

Surely the selfish capitalistic system now prevailing stands condemned by the many wars it has provoked, or at least this self-seeking way of life has created the conditions of life and living that has encouraged war.

More and more people these days feel that the only political way out of this chaos, where the fighters of wars are seeing their cherished children fight in the next, into a saner existence is through common ownership.

This necessitates the state ownership of land with all its wealth of mineral resources, of the banks, insurances, means of transport and all essential services, such as gas, electric and water undertakings, as well as the large combines making things essential to the modern way of life, combines controlled by vested interests whose main motive is profit-making, also of course the big undertakings that get fat on making the implements of war.

The new Common Wealth Party is showing a way to achieve a saner way of life.

Let us in these formative days make our democracy vital by driving hard for victory and a wise and lasting peace, and a world really worth living in.

JOHN B. SHARMAN.

Barston,
Grange-road,
Ramsgate.

Savings.—Savings certificates £314, deposits in the Post Office savings bank £591 and defence bonds £15 made up a total of £920 invested in national savings in Broadstairs and St. Peter's during the week ended 21st August.

BROADSTAIRS

Cycle Winner.—A lady's brand new cycle offered for competition in the recent holiday week at Broadstairs was won by Mrs. Perry, of Fairfield-road.

Soldier's Service.—The Rev. O. Brenton, C.F., was the preacher at a special service for soldiers held at Holy Trinity Church, Broadstairs.

Servers' Officers.—Master Peter Mockett was nominated head boy and Master Peter Markwick elected secretary at a meeting of the junior servers of Holy Trinity Church, Broadstairs, held at the Rectory.

Church Worker's Death.—Formerly a prominent worker for Laleham Baptist Church, St. Peter's, Miss Elizabeth Hooper, of Hayes-villa, Broadstairs, has died at her temporary residence in Hertfordshire. Miss Hooper, who was 55, evacuated from Broadstairs about three years ago. The funeral took place at Tring.

Prisoner Brothers.—A postcard from her son, Gnr. Francis Peter Turrell, R.A., who has been missing since the fall of Singapore, has been received by Mrs. R. E. Turrell, of 235 Beacon-road, St. Peter's. He says that he is well and happy, although a prisoner in Japanese hands. Gnr. Turrell is 22 and joined the Army shortly before the war after being employed as a milk roundsman. One brother, Gnr. Robert Turrell, was reported to be a prisoner of the Japs in June.

Nonagenarian Passes.—Formerly employed as a whitesmith at a local ironmonger's store, Mr. William Stannard, of 21 Alexandra-road, Broadstairs, has passed away at the age of 91. Mr. Stannard had lived in Broadstairs for over 60 years and he was a member of the Hearts of Oak and Kent Friendly Societies. The Rev. R. D. d'E. Meredith officiated when the funeral took place at St. Peter's on Tuesday, and the mourners included Messrs. A. and T. Stannard (sons), Miss S. Stannard (granddaughter), Mr. J. Foreman and Mrs. Phipps.

Good Companions' Birthday.—The third anniversary of the formation of St. Peter's Good Companions was celebrated on Thursday, when the Rev. R. D. d'E. Meredith (priest-in-charge) conducted a special service in the church. It was followed by a communal tea and entertainment at the Red House. The Good Companions were formed during the Battle of Britain to promote a spirit of fellowship among the ladies who remained in St. Peter's and at present the organisation has over 40 members who, in addition to other useful work, have knitted many garments for the Merchant Navy.

CYCLE TRADE PIONEER

DEATH OF MR. W. F. HOWARD

One of the pioneers of the cycle trade in Ramsgate, Mr. William Frederick Howard passed away suddenly at Ashford on Sunday morning at the age of 79 years.

Mr. Howard, who had resided in Ramsgate for about 60 years, came to the town as a youth and was employed for nearly 20 years at Priestley's cycle stores in Turner-street. At the beginning of this century he established the firm of Messrs. W. F. Howard and Sons in Boundary-road and was actively engaged in the business until the start of this war, when he and Mrs. Howard moved to Ashford to live with one of their daughters. The business is continued by a son, Mr. Reginald Howard.

Formerly residing at 11 South Eastern-road, Mr. Howard was one of the original local members of the Ancient Order of Foresters. Since the war broke out he had paid frequent visits to Ramsgate and enjoyed comparatively good health, his death being due to a heart attack.

He leaves a widow, three sons and three daughters to mourn their loss.

SHOOTING

HOME GUARD VERSUS NAVY

The D (Ramsgate) Company, 6th Batt., Kent Home Guard, won by 260 points to 243 when they met a Royal Navy team in a shooting match but in the return competition the sailors turned the tables, winning by 238 points to 220.

Individual scores in the first match were: Home Guard—Sgt. Lawrence 13 and 4, Pte. Sackett 19 and 16, L/Cpl. Mynheer 15 and 8, Pte. Fright 16 and 16, Sgt. Wale 11 and 4, Lt. Tucker 17 and 20, Sgt. Ticehurst 15 and 16, Vol. Startup 13 and 20, Lt. Bolton 17 and 20. Royal Navy—Wright 10 and 16, Chapman 18 and 12, Norris 12 and 8, Waldron 18 and 20, Tanner 14 and 8, Thomas 17 and 0, Price 15 and 12, Harmer 16 and 8, Smart 19 and 20.

Return match scores: Royal Navy—Cruttenden 16 and 20, Price 17 and 16, Harmer 16 and 20, Smart 20 and 20, Gray 15 and 16, Norris 19 and 0, Waldron 15 and 8, Tucker 12 and 8. Home Guard—Sgt. Treweeks 18 and 20, Sgt. Lawrence 13 and 8, Sgt. Ticehurst 14 and 12, Pte. Fright 16 and 12, Vol. Startup 7 and 16, L/Cpl. Mynheer 10 and 16, Pte. Sackett 15 and 8, Lt. Bolton 16 and 16.

"D" COMPANY COMPETITION

"D" Company (Ramsgate), 6th Batt., Kent Home Guard, spent an interesting morning on the open range on Sunday, when an inter-platoon rifle shooting competition took place.

Each section had to charge magazines in the prone position, advance 100 yards in 30 seconds, and fire five rounds from 200 yards in 30 seconds. The second phase was a repeat of the first and finally the sections had to advance 80 yards in 20 seconds and fire three rounds from the hip in 10 seconds.

The Machine Gun Platoon were winners with 55 points and other scores were: Officers 44, No. 12 Platoon 41, No. 13 Platoon 41, Municipal Platoon 39, No. 16 Platoon 38, No. 15 Platoon 34, No. 14 Platoon 27.

The winning team was composed of Sgt. Wale, Cpl. Abbott, L/Cpls. Wilson, Adams, Mummery and Downs, and Ptes. Hubble, Sears, Stone, Spain, Crust and Fagg.

Prizes were presented to the winning team by Lt.-Col. C. S. F. Witts, o/c 6th Batt., who congratulated the company on the number of men attending.

DEATH OF MARGATE EX-MAYORESS

A former Mayoress of Margate, Mrs. Lizzie Ann White died at her residence, 39 Northdown Park-road, on Wednesday, at the age of 78 years.

Mrs. White, who had been ill since last November, was a native of Broad Oak and was the second wife of the late Alderman W. H. White, who was Mayor of Margate for two years from November, 1908. He died in 1928.

Estimates for Removal or Storage.—Hardings, 3 Staffordshire-street, Turner-street, Ramsgate.

For advice on—
CENTRAL HEATING & DOMESTIC HOT WATER SUPPLY
consult
T. V. BOND
Engineer & Founder
PLAINS OF WATERLOO, RAMSGATE
Phone 14

Wedding Stationery.—Invitation Cards, Compliment Cards, Gift Cards.—Wide selection at "The Advertiser" Printing Works, Church-Hill, Ramsgate.

INCREASE THE YIELDS OF ALL YOUR FIELDS

Clean Those Stubbles Now

Working the stubbles immediately after harvest helps to control weeds and improve fertility. The tractor enables you to deal quickly with large areas.

Cleaning operations vary according to the

- crop that comes after (Autumn or Spring sown)
- type of soil (heavy or light)
- weather (wet or dry)
- kind of weeds present

The following methods are practised:—

Killing in the Clod *(on heavy land before Autumn-sown crops).* Plough stubbles immediately after harvest and follow with cross cultivations.

Working Out Rubbish *(on lighter land before Autumn or Spring-sown crops).* Plough just below couch—5 in.—cultivate once or twice—drag-harrow to shake weeds free—light harrow to collect rubbish—finally plough.

Surface Cleaning. Surface cultivations with tractor broadshare or heavy disc harrow, followed by lighter harrowings to encourage germination of weed seeds, finally ploughing where "black grass" is prevalent. Spring sowing is to be preferred.

GET BUSY ON THOSE STUBBLES NOW
It will increase production and
SAVE LABOUR

ISSUED BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES

AN OLD YOUNG OFFENDER

RAMSGATE BOYS IN TROUBLE

A series of petty thefts committed in the past two years were admitted by a 14-year-old boy when he appeared before the magistrates at Ramsgate juvenile court on Tuesday.

Together with another boy of the same age, he was accused of breaking into a Ramsgate billet on 10th July and stealing two pairs of boots. Both the lads pleaded guilty.

C/I Butcher said that D/C Hopper went to the billet following a complaint on 11th July and was told that two pairs of boots had been stolen from an upstairs room. He later saw the two boys and although one of them said "We found them under a bush," the other admitted having taken one pair.

The latter made a statement in which he said that he and his friend went to the back of the billet and, through an open window, saw a pair of boots on the floor. The other boy climbed in and was gone ten minutes, coming out again with a pair of boots. Then he went in and took another pair. They hid the boots under some leaves, played for about half an hour, then went to a secondhand shop and sold them.

The second lad then made a statement in which he admitted the offence and said that when they sold the boots he told the buyer that his father wanted to get rid of them.

Repented.

Mr. A. R. Young, representing one of the boys, said he understood that when the lads were interviewed by the police officer they were in the secondhand shop to which they had returned with the object of buying back the boots. It appeared, therefore, that they had repented of their action and intended returning the property.

C/I Butcher said that one of the defendants wished the following offences committed during the past two years to be taken into consideration: stealing a bronze statuette from 2 Albion-place; a motor car pump from a garage in Cottage-road; a gent's cycle from the Garden-on-the-Sands Pavilion, Broadstairs; a pair of shoes from the billet referred to in the present case; a fountain pen and pencil from Hodgman's yard, King-street; two tins of paint from Dumpton Gap, Broadstairs; three paint brushes and other articles from Messrs. Alfred Olby Ltd., King-street; and a motor cycle pump from premises in Broadstairs.

The other boy also admitted being concerned in the last two offences, and the chief inspector stated that this lad was before the same court for shopbreaking in August, 1939, when the case was dismissed.

Addressing the boy who admitted the series of offences, the Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) said "You are evidently an old offender and you are old enough to know better."

Both defendants were placed on probation for two years.

Military Sports.—At a sports meeting held by a military unit in Minster recreation ground music was played by the regimental band.

W.L.A. BENEVOLENT FUND

The 70,000 members of the Women's Land Army are performing a vital work in the food production campaign but they are not regarded as a service organisation like the W.R.N.S., A.T.S. and W.A.A.F. For this reason they cannot be brought under any service pension or gratuity scheme.

Unfortunately there are many cases of serious injury and breakdown in health as a result of their work and some in Kent have even been wounded through enemy action.

To help these girls the W.L.A. Benevolent Fund has been formed and contributions would be gratefully received by Lady Cornwallis at the W.L.A. Office, Great Comp, Borough Green, Kent.

Births, Engagements, Marriages and Deaths

The PREPAID charges for these announcements are 1d. per word (minimum: Births and Deaths 1/6, Engagements, Marriages, Return Thanks and In Memoriam 2/6).

BIRTHS

Girling.—21st August, at Woking, the wife of Sqdn.-Ldr. J. W. Girling, of Highfield, Westgate-on-Sea, of a son.

Tucker.—17th August, at St. Helier's Nursing Home, Tankerton, to Marjorie (née Crampton), wife of Flt.-Lt. Tucker, the gift of a son (Christopher John).

ENGAGEMENT

The engagement is announced between William Leslie Austin, R.A.F., only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Austin, of 5 Clifton-road, Ramsgate, and Pamela Marjorie, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Duckett, of 1 Crescent-road, Ramsgate.

MARRIAGES

Drayson—Jenkyns.—24th August, at St. Wystan's Church, Repton, Robert Quested, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Drayson, Broad End, Winterstoke-crescent, Ramsgate, to Rachel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Jenkyns, of Askew Cottage, Repton.

Glover—Smith.—21st August, at the Methodist Church, St. Peter's, Ernest Joseph Glover to Elsie Ellen Smith, both of Broadstairs.

Marsh—Fitall.—21st August, at St. Mary's Church, Sandwich, P/O Charles Marsh, of Sandwich, to Renee Olivia Fitall, of Ramsgate.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Blewitt—Adams.—28th August, 1900, at St. Paul's Church, Ramsgate, John Thomas Blewitt to Alice Adams, both of Ramsgate. Present address: 10 Garden-row, Ramsgate.

DEATHS

Andrews.—29th August, at Canterbury, Ruth Andrews (late of Hereson-road, Ramsgate), aged 60 years.

Burton.—23rd August, in the Kent and Canterbury Hospital, William Horace Burton, of Manston, aged 61 years.

Howard.—29th August, suddenly, at Ashford, William Frederick Howard, late of 11 South Eastern-road, Ramsgate, aged 79 years.

Josling.—24th August, at Margate Hospital, Wallace Perry Josling, aged 50 years.

Stevenson.—22nd August, at 3 Belmont-street, Ramsgate, Edward William Stevenson, aged 72 years.

Taylor.—21st August, at 22 Whitehall-road, Ramsgate, Ellen Taylor, late of Manston, aged 74 years.

Printed and Published by the Executrix of the late H. C. Flowerdew, at the ADVERTISER Offices, Broad-street and High-street, Ramsgate.